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The Bishop calls the attention of the Clergy to the fact that, under the Canons of the Church, Licenses are issued annually to Lay Readers upon recommendation of the Rectors of the respective Parishes.

List of Parishes and Mission Points in the Diocese of Alabama, May 11, 1887.

Anniston—Grace Church	Rev. Philip A. Fitts.
Athens—St. Timothy	" Percy Gordon.
Auburn—Church ready for consecration	" DeB. Waddell.
Autaugaville—St. Matthews' Church	Vacant.
Brierfield Mission—No Building	" J. F. Smith.
Birmingham—Church of the Advent	" T. J. Beard.
Bon Secour Mission	Vacant.
Brown's Station Mission—No Building	" W. A. Stickney.
Calera Mission—No Building	" Geo. M. Everhart, D. D.
Camden—St. Mary's Church	Vacant.
Carlowville—St. Paul's Church	" F. B. Lee.
Clayton—Grace Church	" E. W. Spalding, D. D.
Claiborne Mission—No Building	" Geo. R. Upton.
Cross Plains—Christ Church	Rev. J. F. Smith, Rev. O. A. Bourne, Deacon, assisting.
Dallas County—Grace Church	Rev. F. B. Lee.
Dallas County—St. Luke's Church	" Stewart McQueen.
Dallas County—St. David's Church	Almost extinct.
Decatur—St. Paul's Church	" Percy Gordon.
Demopolis—Trinity Church	" J. A. Harrison, D. D.
Eufaula—St. James Church	" E. W. Spalding, D. D.
Eutaw—St. Stephen's Church	" S. U. Smith.
Evergreen—St. Mary's Church	" Geo. R. Upton.
Forkland—St. John's Church	" Jno. A. Harrison, D. D.
Fork of Greene—St. Mark's Church	" W. T. Allen.
Florence—Trinity Church	" B. F. Mower.
Gainesville—St. Alban's Church	" W. T. Allen.
Greensboro—St. Paul's Church	" R. H. Cobbs, D. D.
Greenville—St. Thomas' Church	" Geo. R Upton.
Hayneville—St. Andrew's Church	" Geo. R. Upton.
Huntsville—Church of the Nativity	" J. M. Banister, D. D.
Jacksonville—St. Luke's	Rev. J. F. Smith; O. R. Bourne, Deacon, assist'g
Jenifer Mission—No Building	Rev. J. F. Smith.
Lowndesboro—St. Paul's Church	" Geo. R. Upton.
Livingston—St. James Church	" Wm. T. Allen.
Marion—St. Wilfrid's Church	" Stewart McQueen.
Marengo County—St. Michael's	Vacant.
Montevallo—.....Church	" J. F. Smith.
Morgan County—Grace Church	Vacant.
Montgomery—St. John's Church	" H. Stringfellow, D. D.
Montgomery—Church of the Holy Comforter.	" H. Stringfellow, D. D.
Mobile—Christ Church	" J. L. Tucker, D. D.

Mobile—St. John's Church	Rev. Gardiner L. Tucker.
Mobile—Trinity Church	" J. S. Johnston,
Mobile—Church of the Good Shepherd	" A. W. Pierce.
Opelika—Emanuel Church	" Geo. M. Everhart, D. D.
Prairieville—St. Andrew's	" R. H. Cobbs, D. D.
Prattville—St. Mark's Church	" Geo. M. Everhart, D. D.
Pushmataha—Calvary Church	" W. A. Stickney.
Seale Mission	" DeB. Waddell.
Selma—St. Paul's Church	" R. W. Barnwell.
Scottsboro—St. Luke's Church	" Percy Gordon.
Trinity—Grace Church	" Percy Gordon.
Spring Hill—St. Paul's Church	" The Bishop.
Sheffield	" B. F. Mower.
Talladega—St. Peter's Church	" J. F. Smith.
Tuskaloosa—Christ Church	" J. H. Stringfellow.
Tuscumbia—St. John's Church	" B. F. Mower.
Troy—St. Mark's Church	" DeB. Waddell.
Uniontown—Church of the Holy Cross	" W. A. Stickney.
Union Springs—Trinity Church	" DeB. Waddell.
Whistler—St. Paul's Church	Vacant.

Deans and Convocations:

Convocation of Mobile—Rev. J. S. Johnston, Dean. This Convocation embraces counties of Mobile and Baldwin.

Convocation of Montgomery—Rev. Horace Stringfellow, D.D., Dean. This Convocation embraces counties of Montgomery, Conecuh, Butler, Lowndes, Autauga, Lee, Russell, Pike, Bullock, and Barbour.

Convocation of Selma—Rev. R. H. Cobbs, D. D., Dean. This Convocation embraces counties of Dallas, Perry, Marengo, Hale, Choctaw, and part of Greene.

Convocation of Birmingham—Rev. T. J. Beard, Dean. Embracing the counties of Jefferson, Tuskaloosa, Sumter, part of Greene, St. Clair, Shelby, Bibb, Talladega, and Calhoun.

Convocation of Huntsville—Rev. J. M. Banister, D. D., Dean. Embracing counties of Madison, Jackson, Limestone, Morgan, Lawrence, Franklin, and Lauderdale.

Journal of Proceedings.

FIRST DAY.

The Fifty-Sixth Annual Council of the PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH, in the Diocese of Alabama, assembled in St. Paul's Church, Greensboro, May 11th, 1887.

Morning prayer was said at 10½ o'clock, A. M.; the sermon being preached by Rev. J. M. BANISTER, D. D., from the text, Romans xii., 11:

"Not slothful in business; fervent in spirit; serving the Lord."

The Holy Communion was celebrated by the Rt. Rev. R. H. WILMER, D. D., Bishop of the Diocese, assisted by Rev. R. H. COBBS, D. D., Rector of the Parish.

Immediately after service the Council was called to order by the Rt. Rev. President, who presented the following

List of Clergy entitled to Seats and Votes in the Annual Council of the Diocese of Alabama:

RT. REV. RICH'D H. WILMER, D. D., LL.D.

Rev. W. T. Allen,	Rev. J. M. Banister, D. D.
" R. W. Barnwell,	" T. J. Beard.
" O. R. Bourne,	" R. H. Cobbs, D. D.
" Thos A. Cook,	" Geo. M. Everhart, D. D.
" Philip A. Fitts,	" Percy Gordon,
" John J. Harris,	" Jno. A. Harrison, D. D.
" J. S. Johnston,	" F. B. Lee,
" S. McQueen,	" B. F. Mower,
" A. W. Pierce,	" J. F. Smith,
" S. U. Smith,	" Erastus W. Spalding, D. D.
" W. A. Stickney,	" Horace Stringfellow, D. D.
" J. H. Stringfellow,	" J. L. Tucker, D. D.
" G. C. Tucker,	" Geo. R. Upton,
" J. A. VanHoose,	" DeB. Waddell.

The Secretary of the last Council called the Roll as thus presented, and the following answered to their names:

RT. REV. RICH'D H. WILMER, D. D. LL.D.

Rev. W. T. Allen,	Rev. J. M. Banister, D. D.
" R. W. Barnwell,	" T. J. Beard,
" O. R. Bourne,	" R. H. Cobbs, D. D.
" Philip A. Fitts,	" Percy Gordon,
" John J. Harris,	" John A. Harrison, D. D.
" J. S. Johnston,	" F. B. Lee,
" Stewart McQueen,	" J. F. Smith,
" S. U. Smith,	" W. A. Stickney,
" Horace Stringfellow, D. D.	" J. H. Stringfellow,
" J. L. Tucker, D. D.	" G. C. Tucker,
" Geo. R. Upton,	" DeB. Waddell.

As provided for by Canon, the Treasurer of the Diocese presented the following

List of Parishes entitled to Representation in this Council:

St. Paul's Church, Greensboro.	St. Alban's Church, Brown's Station.
St. John's Church, Tuscumbia.	St. Peter's Church, Talladega.
Christ Church, Mobile.	St. Luke's Church, Jacksonville.
Christ Church, Cross Plains.	Trinity Church, Mobile.
Montevallo Mission.	St. Paul's Church, Decatur.
St. Timothy's Church, Athens.	Church of Holy Cross, Uniontown.
Church of Advent, Birmingham.	St. Paul's Church, Selma.
St. John's Church, Mobile.	Grace Church, Trinity.
St. Wilfrid's Church, Marion	St. Paul's Church, Carlowville.
Christ Church, Tuskaloosa.	Church of the Nativity, Huntsville.
St. James' Church, Livingston.	St. Mark's Church, Fork of Greene.
St. Paul's Church, Lowndesboro	St. Alban's Church, Gainesville.
Trinity Church, Demopolis.	Trinity Church, Union Springs.
Trinity Church, Florence.	Grace Church, Anniston.
St. John's Church, Forkland.	Briertield Mission.
St. John's Church, Montgomery.	Grace Church, Dallas County.

The List of Parishes so entitled was called and Credentials of Lay Deputies were presented and referred to a Committee, consisting of Rev. J. S. JOHNSTON, Rev. W. T. ALLEN, Rev. R. W. BARNWELL.

This Committee reported the following Lay Deputies entitled to seats:

Grace Church, Anniston—I. W. Noble, A. L. Tyler, F. M. Hight, I. H. Cobbs, J. B. Rees.

Church of the Advent, Birmingham—W. T. Poe, J. P. Mudd, U. A. Porter, H. P. Cochrane, Thos. Cobbs.

St. Alban's Church, Brown's Station—C. R. Gwin, Thos. H. Lewis.

St. Paul's Church, Carlowville—W. A. Bibb. J. D. Alison, J. D. Alison, Jr. B. Reynolds, Jr.

Trinity Church, Demopolis—C. B. Whitfield, J. R. Robertson, N. G. Winn, E. H. C. Bailey.

St. John's Church, Forkland—W. N. Glover, J. S. Brasfield.

St. Mark's Church, Fork of Greene—I. B. Smaw, J. McKee Gould.

St. Paul's Church, Greensboro—C. L. Stickney, J. G. Harvey, A. S. Jeffries, C. E. Waller, T. K. Jones.

St. Thomas' Church, Greenville—D. G. Dunklin, A. W. Metcalf.

St. Luke's Church, Jacksonville—Wm. H. Dean.

St. James' Church, Livingston—N. F. Randall, W. R. DeLoach.

St. Paul's Church, Lowndesboro—W. B. Hall.

St. Wilfrid's Church, Marion—E. B. Thompson, R. H. Evins.

Christ Church, Mobile—R. S. Bunker, W. H. Ross, T. S. Fry, Geo. H. Dunlap, Jr., Wm. Barnewall.

Trinity Church, Mobile—H. T. Toulmin, F. J. McCoy, Robt. Adams, Temple Taylor, J. O. Dickens.

St. John's Church, Mobile—Dan Harris, W. J. McCowan, W. H. Leslie, Emanuel Jones, F. Graves.

Church of the Good Shepherd, Mobile—L. J. Watson.

St. John's Church, Montgomery—Joel White, B. L. Wyman, W. W. Screws, T. G. Foster, H. Stringfellow, Jr.

St. Paul's Church, Selma—R. M. Nelson, Wm. Berg, Joseph John, Geo. A. Wilkins, Daniel Partridge.

Christ Church, Tuskaloosa—J. H. Fitts, Wm. Cochrane, W. C. Fitts, P. Boyce, A. Hill.

Trinity Church, Union Springs—D. F. McCall. R. L. Hobdy.

Church of the Holy Cross, Uniontown—J. M. Langhorne, Edwin Shield, J. M. Langhorne, Jr.

Their names being called, the following were found to be present:

Messrs. F. M. Hight, J. H. Cobbs, J. B. Rees, Thos. Cobbs, J. D. Alison, I. B. Smaw, J. McKee Gould, C. L. Stickney, J. G. Harvey, A. S. Jeffries, C. E. Waller, T. K. Jones, Wm. H. Dean, N. F. Randall, R. S. Bunker, T. S. Fry, Wm. Barnewall, H. T. Toulmin, L. J. Watson, W. W. Screws, H. Stringfellow, Jr., J. H. Fitts, D. F. McCall, W. T. Poe.

A quorum being present, the Council was declared to be duly organized, and Rev. R. H. COBBS, D. D., was nominated and elected Secretary.

On motion, the Rules of Order of the last Council were adopted for the government of this Council.

On motion, it was

Resolved, That the sessions of this Council be held daily, from 9 A. M. till 2:30 P. M.

On motion, the Rules of Order were suspended, and the following resolution was adopted—the President having called Rev. Dr. STRINGFELLOW to the Chair:

Resolved, That a Committee, consisting of Rev. Dr. Stringfellow, Rev. Dr. Banister, Rev. Dr. Cobbs, and Messrs R. S. Bunker, C. L. Stickney, and J. H. Fitts, be appointed to prepare a suitable address and arrange a special service to commemorate the Twenty-Fifth occasion on which the Bishop has presided over the Council of the Diocese of Alabama.

On motion, the Council adjourned till 9 A. M. Thursday.

SECOND DAY.

GREENSBORO, ALA., May 12, 1887.

The Council met pursuant to adjournment. After prayer by the President, the roll was called, and a quorum found to be present. The minutes of yesterday's proceedings were read and approved.

The Rev. A. W. PIERCE, and Messrs. W. B. HALL, W. H. ROSS, B. L. WYMAN, T. G. FOSTER, W. C. FITTS, E. B. THOMPSON, C. B. WHITFIELD, appeared and took their seats.

A certificate of the election of Lay Deputies was presented from the Church of the Nativity, Huntsville, and declared to be in due form, and Messrs. P. M. DOX, OLIVER PATTON, MILTON HUMES, IRVINE WHITE, and ORLANDO GOULDMAN, entitled to seats.

An application was presented from St. Mary's Church, The Highlands, Birmingham, asking to be admitted into union with the Council, and referred to a Committee, consisting of

Rev. J. A. HARRISON, D. D., Rev. R. W. BARNWELL, and Messrs. W. H. DEAN, and W. T. POE.

The following Standing Committees were announced by the President:

Committee on the State of the Church—Revs. W. A. Stickney, F. B. Lee, J. F. Smith, DeB. Waddell, J. S. Johnston, Jno. A. Harrison, D. D., S. U. Smith, Messrs. W. W. Screws, A. S. Jeffries, J. D. Alison, D. F. McCall, R. S. Bunker, J. McKee Gould.

Committee on Canons—Revs. H. Stringfellow, D. D., J. M. Banister, D. D., R. W. Barnwell, Philip A. Fitts, Messrs. Thos. Cobbs, H. T. Toulmin, C. E. Waller, H. Stringfellow, Jr.

Committee on Finance—Messrs. R. M. Nelson, J. H. Fitts, C. L. Stickney, T. S. Fry, F. M. Hight, B. L. Wyman, W. H. Dean, W. T. Poe, W. W. Dugger.

Committee on Parochial Reports—Revs. J. L. Tucker, D. D., G. C. Tucker, Geo. R. Upton, Messrs. T. G. Foster, A. F. Randall.

Committee on Unfinished Business—Rev. R. H. Cobbs, D. D., Mr. N. F. Randall.

The Bishop of the Diocese then read the Statistical portion of his Address, which, on motion, was referred to the Committee on the State of the Church.

On motion, the Council authorized the Bishop to sell certain Church Property near Cushla.

On motion, the facts concerning Church Property at Anniston were referred to the Committee on Canons, with the request that they report to-day.

On motion, it was

Resolved, That a committee of three be appointed to prepare suitable resolutions in regard to the death of Mr. James Bond.

Rev. J. H. STRINGFELLOW, Mr. W. W. SCREWS, and Mr. J. H. FITTS, were appointed as the Committee.

Rev. Dr. BANISTER was here called to the Chair, and the Special Committee, appointed yesterday, made the following report:

Rt. Rev. R. H. Wilmer, D. D., Rt. Rev. Father in God:

The Council of the Diocese of Alabama, through the undersigned, their Committee, calling to mind the fact that you have recently completed the Twenty-Fifth year of your Episcopate, desire to express their high appreciation of the faithfulness with which you have discharged the

duties of your sacred office, to the edifying of the Church, and the honor, praise, and glory of God's Holy Name. They recall, with great satisfaction that, to them, as to a flock, you have been a faithful Shepherd, holding up the weak, binding up the broken ones, seeking the lost, and in all things an example of good works unto others. Appreciating, as they do, the great benefits resulting to the Diocese from your administration, the Council has taken a recess, in order to unite in a public service of praise and thanksgiving to Almighty God, for the gift of their Bishop, and the continuance of his oversight for a quarter of a century, and at the same time, to beg of the great Head of the Church, that He would vouchsafe this blessing to the Diocese many years to come.

As an evidence of the sincerity of the sentiments already expressed, they have had prepared a set of Robes and a Pastoral Staff, which they have charged the Rev. R. H. Cobbs, D. D., to present to you in their name.

Upon this solemn occasion, realizing how blest is the tie that binds our hearts in bonds of common love, and that, as in the past, so in the future, we share our mutual woes; our mutual burdens bear; we pledge to you, as our honored and beloved Bishop, our loyal and dutiful affection: we crave your Episcopal Benediction.

H. STRINGFELLOW, J. M. BANISTER,
R. H. COBBS, R. S. BUNKER,
C. L. STICKNEY, I. H. FITTS.

On motion, this Report was adopted by a rising vote.

On motion, it was

Resolved, That the Council take a recess at 12 M. to-day in order to unite in the service of Praise and Thanksgiving, and that the Chairman of this Committee be requested to present the above Address, and the Secretary be instructed to send a copy of the same to the Bishop.

The following Report was presented and read, and on motion, was received and concurred in:

The Committee to whom was referred the application of St. Mary's Church, The Highlands, Birmingham, for admission into union with the Council of the Diocese, beg leave to report. that they have considered said application, and find the articles of association in due form, and hereby recommend the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That St. Mary's Parish, The Highlands, Birmingham, be admitted into union with the Council of the Diocese of Alabama.

JOHN A. HARRISON, D.D. R. W. BARNWELL,
W. H. DEAN, W. T. POE.

The following Annual Communication from the Standing Committee of the Diocese, was presented and read:

REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE OF THE DIOCESE OF ALABAMA, FOR THE YEAR ENDING MAY 10TH, 1887.

1886.—May 27th—The Committee met in the Vestry Room of Christ Church, Mobile, and organized by the election of the Rev. J. S. Johnston, Presiden , and Mr. James Bond Secretary.

Canonical testimonials of the election of the Rev. Edwin Gardner Weed to be Bishop of Florida, were laid before the Committee, and upon motion, approved.

June 21st—The Committee approved the testimonials of Mr. Percy Gordon, and recommended him to the Bishop for ordination to the Diaconate.

July 5th—Canonical testimonials of the election of the Rt. Rev. Daniel Sylvester Tuttle, Missionary Bishop of Idaho and Utah, to be Diocesan Bishop of Missouri, were laid before the Committee, and upon motion, approved.

July 19th—The bill of the Diocesan Printer for printing the Journal of the Council and other pamphlets, and that of Mr. George Matzinger for printing Parochial and Mission Reports (in blank), were audited and approved by the Committee and forwarded to the Diocesan Treasurer for payment.

August 2d—Canonical testimonials of the election of the Rt. Rev. Ozi Williams Whittaker, Missionary Bishop of Nevada, to be Assistant Bishop of Pennsylvania, were laid before the Committee, and upon motion, approved.

1887.—February 28th—Canonical testimonials of the election of the Rev. Elisha Smith Thomas, to be Assistant Bishop of Kansas, were laid before the Committee, and upon motion, approved.

The President having informed the Committee of the death of Mr. James Bond, for many years its Secretary, a committee was appointed to draft suitable resolutions upon the subject, of which one copy was spread upon the Minutes, and another sent to the family of the deceased.

Mr. Francis B. Clark was elected a member of the Committee, to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Mr. James Bond, and the Rev. Gardiner C. Tucker was elected Secretary of the Committee.

Failure to report on Canons on account of death of Chancellor.

J. S. JOHNSTON, *President.*

GARDINER C. TUCKER, *Secretary.*

On motion, the Rules of Order were suspended, and the Parochial Reports, without being read, were referred to the appropriate committee.

The Council then voted by ballot for the Standing Com-

mittee of the Diocese. Rev. PERCY GORDON and Mr. E. B. THOMPSON being appointed tellers.

The balloting resulted in the election of Rev. J. S. JOHNSTON, Rev. J. L TUCKER, D. D., Rev. G. C. TUCKER, Mr. F. B. CLARK, Jr., Mr. R. S. BUNKER, Mr. H. T. TOULMIN.

The Reports of the Treasurer of the Diocese and of the Diocesan Missionary Fund, were presented, and on motion, referred to the Committee on Finance.

The Report of the Trustees of the Bishop's Fund (see Appendix) was presented and read, and on motion, was referred to a committee of three lawyers, of which the Chancellor shall be Chairman, with instructions to report to the next Council in regard to the legal status of the property.

Mr. F. B. CLARK, Jr., Mr. H. C. TOMPKINS, Mr. H. STRINGFELLOW, Jr., were appointed said committee.

A telegram was received, conveying fraternal greetings from the Convention of Tennessee, and the Secretary was instructed to send a suitable reply.

He was also instructed to send greetings to the Conventions in Georgia and Mississippi.

St. Andrews' Church, Macon, and Opelika Mission, were declared to be entitled to representation. Certificates of election of Lay Deputies were presented and pronounced by the Committee to be in due form, and the following delegates entitled to seats:

St. Andrews' Church, Macon—H. A. Tayloe, J. H. DuBose, W. W. Dugger, R. H. Dugger, C. H. Hause.

Emanuel Church, Opelika—Mr. James Clayton.

Their names being called, Messrs. J. H. DUBOSE, W. W. DUGGER, R. H. DUGGER, C. H. HAUSE, and JAMES CLAYTON, appeared and took their seats.

On motion, a committee, consisting of Rev. J. L. TUCKER, Rev. J. S. JOHNSTON, and Mr. F. B. CLARK, Jr., was appointed to prepare a seal for the Diocese of Alabama.

On motion, it was

Resolved, That the next Annual Session of this Council be held in the Church of the Nativity, Huntsville, beginning Wednesday, April 18th, 1888.

Mr. F. B. CLARK, Jr., was elected Chancellor of the Diocese—the Council voting *viva voce*.

At 12 M. the Council took a recess, in order to take part in the special service which it had appointed, and at the conclusion of this service, the Council re-assembled, and the Bishop of the Diocese read the remainder of his Address.

After the Address was concluded, the Council adjourned till 9 o'clock Friday morning.

THIRD DAY.

GREENSBORO, May 13, 1887—9 O'CLOCK A. M.

The Council met pursuant to adjournment. After prayers were said, the Roll was called and a quorum found to be present. The Minutes were read and amended, and as amended, were approved.

Rev. GEO. M. EVERHART, D. D., and Messrs. JOEL WHITE and J. P. MUDD, appeared and took their seats.

Certificates of election of Lay Delegates were presented from St. James' Parish, Eufaula, and St. Mary's Church, The Highlands, Birmingham, and were pronounced in due form, and the following Lay Delegates entitled to seats:

St. James' Church, Eufaula—H. R. Shorter, W. H. Bray, James Ross, Victor A. Martin, C. R. Ross.

St. Mary's, The Highlands, Birmingham—George C. Ball, James Weatherley.

Their names being called, Messrs. H. R. SHORTER, GEO. C. BALL, and JAMES WEATHERLEY, took their seats.

The following was presented and read:

The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred that part of the Bishop's Address relating to the Church Property in the town of Anniston, beg leave to report that they have considered the same, and, on the evidence submitted, find that said Property, or any part thereof not consecrated, may be sold and conveyed by the Bishop of the Diocese, with

the consent of three-fourths vote of the Diocesan Council—the Rector, Wardens, and Vestry of Grace Church, Anniston, concurring.

The Committee, therefore, recommend the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That consent be and the same is hereby given to the Bishop of the Diocese, to sell and convey the real estate described in a certain deed executed by the Woodstock Iron Company to the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Alabama, and dated the 27th day of April, 1887, or so much thereof as the Rector, Wardens, and Vestry of Grace Church, in the town of Anniston, may, in their judgment, deem it advisable to sell.

This report was received, and on motion, was adopted by a unanimous vote.

The following Report was presented and read:

Your Committee, to whom was referred that portion of the Bishop's Address in which he so feelingly and appropriately alluded to the death of the late Chancellor of the Diocese, James Bond, Esq., of St. John's Church, Mobile, beg leave to report as follows:

Those who knew Mr. Bond, will bear willing testimony to the purity of his conduct, his devotion to the Church, his patriotism as a citizen, his large hearted benevolence, and to the fact, that he possessed all the qualities to be found in one who lived a well rounded and well ordered life. This Diocese has been the beneficiary to a large extent of his calm deliberation and his just and correct decisions and opinions. No matter how pressing other claim upon his time might be, when work for the Church was demanded of him, he responded cheerfully and promptly.

The records of this Diocese show how well he discharged every duty imposed upon him. In view of the loss sustained by this Diocese in the death of such a man, it is eminently proper that this Council of the Church, of which for so many years he was a member, pay tribute to his memory. Therefore, be it

Resolved, That in the death of James Bond, this Diocese has suffered the loss of one who was constant in good deeds, zealous in work for the Church, charitable in all things, and indefatigable in efforts to spread the truths of the gospel.

Resolved, That the work he did and the good he accomplished were such as to render his life one eminently fit to serve as an example for those who survive him.

With more like him, the Church would soon be extended in every portion of our State.

Resolved, That this Council (speaking for the Diocese) will ever hold him in grateful memory for his good works and deeds, having ever found him wise in counsel, persistent in effort, and moderate in all things—

coming up fully to the scriptural injunction: "Not slothful in business; fervent in spirit; serving the Lord."

Resolved, That these resolutions be spread upon the Record, and that a page thereof be devoted to the same, and that the Secretary of the Council transmit a copy to his family.

J. H. STRINGFELLOW, }
J. H. FITTS. } Committee.
W. W. SCREWS, }

On motion, this Report was adopted by a rising vote.

The Report of the Treasurer of the Bishop's Fund was presented, and on motion, was referred to the Committee on Finance.

The following were elected members of the Missionary Board:

Messrs. C. E. Waller, W. W. Screws, Thos. Cobbs, H. T. Toulmin, Wm. Clay.

On motion, the Council resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole, to consider the subject of Diocesan Missions.

After an interval, the Council resumed its session, and on motion, took a recess for an hour.

At 1:30 P. M. the Council was called to order, and the following Resolutions were offered as the Report from the Committee of the Whole:

Resolved, That an Evangelist for the Diocese be selected by the Bishop and the Board of Missions, whenever a sufficient sum shall have been pledged for his support; and that his duties shall be to do such missionary work as the Bishop may direct, and to organize and superintend Missionary Societies in each Parish, with the consent of the Rector thereof.

2d, That the salary of such Evangelist be $2,000.00, to be raised by pledges made for that purpose.

On motion, these resolutions were adopted.

On motion, it was

Resolved, That each Rector and one Layman in each Parish be appointed a Committee to obtain such pledges, and report to the Board of Missions.

On motion, it was

Resolved, That this Council urges each communicant in the Diocese to lay apart some offering each week for Diocesan Missions.

The following letter was presented and read:

Rev. R. H. Wilmer:

MY DEAR BISHOP—I herewith enclose my papers and vouchers, with certified Check for a balance in Bank at the credit of the Diocesan Missionary Fund, and at the same time, tender you my resignation as Treasurer of same.

You will note that not one cent of the Missionary stipend has been paid on the past quarter, past due.

Yours affectionately, R. MIDDLETON.

This resignation was accepted, and on motion, the following Resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That the thanks of this Council are hereby tendered to Mr. Robert Middleton for his long and faithful services as Treasurer of the Diocesan Missionary Fund.

On motion, Mr. C. E. WALLER was elected Treasurer of the Diocesan Missionary Fund.

On motion, it was

Resolved, That each Rector be requested to organize at once in his Parish a Missionary Society, and report the names of its officers to the Treasurer of the Diocesan Missionary Fund.

On motion, the Council adjourned till 9 A. M. Saturday.

FOURTH DAY.

GREENSBORO, May 14, 1887—9 A. M.

The Council met pursuant to adjournment. After prayers were said, the Roll was called and a quorum found to be present. The Minutes of yesterday's proceedings were read and approved.

Mr. JOSEPH JOHN appeared and took his seat.

A Certificate of Election of Lay Delegates was presented from St. Stephen's Church, Eutaw, and pronounced to be in due form, and Messrs. J. B. HEAD, B. B. BARNES and E. D. LIGHTFOOT, were declared to be entitled to seats. Their names being called, Mr. J. B. HEAD appeared and took his seat.

The following Report from the Committee on the State of the Church, was presented and read:

We deem it useless to duplicate the statistics, as presented by the Committee on Parochial Reports. The fact is emphatic that Church growth has followed the material interests of the State: the centres which have recently attracted the attention of the world to their marvelous mineral developments. Nor is it less a fact worthy of grateful mention, that other portions of the vineyard, notably the agricultural, do not report retrograde, notwithstanding such extraordinary commotion of shifting population. We think this evidences life enough to encourage and stimulate us to increased zeal, and with the hearty co-operation of our Lay Brethren, in sustaining the Missionary Machinery set on foot by this Council, we sanguinely look forward to brighter, cheering results, in the near future. The crying want of the Diocese is more laborers and their maintenance, is the supreme subject of the hour.

May we not confidently hope and believe, that another twelve months will plenteously bring forth the fruits of seed sown by the wisdom of this Council's deliberations?

We could not omit an expression of devout thankfulness to the Great and Good Shepherd for having spared our Diocesan to complete his twenty-fifth anniversary: his harness on and his staff in hand.

May he still be spared to lead us on through the mazes of many a year, with uplifted lamp in hand, growing brighter and brighter, until called to his rest in Paradise. W. A. STICKNEY, *Chairman.*

On motion, this Report was received and concurred in.

The Committee on Parochial Reports presented the Statistical and Financial Summary, which, on motion, was received and ordered to be printed in the Appendix.

A motion was made to return to the use of the old form for Parochial Reports, and an amendment was offered that the present form be retained, provided the optional questions be omitted. After much discussion, the amendment first, and then the original motion, were laid on the table.

The Council then took a recess, and after an interval, was called to order, and the following Resolutions, on motion, were adopted:

Resolved, 1st, That each Rector be and he is requested to organize at an early day, a Missionary Society in his Parish.

Resolved, 2d, That as soon as a Society shall be formed in any Parish, the Rector thereof shall report the names of the officers thereof to the Treasurer of the Diocesan Missionary Fund.

Resolved, 3d, That the Treasurer of the Diocesan Missionary Fund shall have general supervision of Missionary organizations until the Evangelists shall be selected.

Resolved, 4th, That the Treasurer be and he is requested to take such steps as may seem best to obtain special pledges for the support of the Evangelist.

The following was presented and read:

The Committee on Finance beg to report they have examined and audited the accounts of Mr. Robert Middleton as Treasurer of the Diocesan Missionary Fund, and find that, including the balance on hand at the last Council, he has received the sum of $2,176 57
And has properly expended the sum of 1,908 78

Leaving a balance on hand of ..... $ 267 79

The commitee further report that they have also examined and audited the accounts of Mr. William Barnewall, as Treasurer of the Diocese, and find that, including the balance on hand at the last Council, he has received the sum of $4,783 60
And that he has properly expended the sum of 4,578 60

Leaving a balance on hand of ..... $ 205 00

The committee further report that they have examined and audited the accounts of N. H. R. Dawson, as Treasurer of the Bishop's Fund. There was no balance on hand at the last Council, and the Treasurer has received from interest and rents, the sum of $1,134 00
And has properly expended the following sums:

Insurance on Hamner Hall	$262 50	
William Barnewall, Treasurer	871 50	1,134 00

Leaving no balance on hand.

For the securities belonging to the Fund, see Exhibit C.

The committee submit the following as

THE REQUIREMENTS FOR 1887-'88:

Bishop's salary	$4,000 00
Premium on Policy of Insurance on Life of Bishop	122 50
Secretary of the Council	100 00
Treasurer of the Diocese	50 00
Expense of the Council	15 00
Printing the Journal	175 00
Balance due the Bishop	273 95
Total	$4,736 45

And the following as the

ESTIMATED RESOURCES FOR 1887-'88:

Approximate interest from Bishop's Fund	$1,000 00
Assessments for 1887-'88 (Exhibit A)	4,240 00
Cash in hand of Treasurer	205 00
Due from delinquent Parishes (Exhibit B)	210 00
Total	$5,655 00

EXHIBIT A.

ASSESSMENTS FOR 1887–'88.

Christ Church, Mobile	$600 00
Christ Church, Tuskaloosa	150 00
Church of the Advent, Birmingham	250 00
Church of the Holy Cross, Uniontown	50 00
Church of the Nativity, Huntsville	300 00
Christ Church, Cross Plains	10 00
Emanuel Church, Opelika	5 00
Gadsden Mission	10 00
Grace Church, Anniston	150 00
Grace Church, Clayton	20 00
Grace Church, Dallas County	10 00
Montevallo Mission	10 00
St. Alban's Church, Gainesville	10 00
St. Andrew's Church, Hayneville	15 00
St. Andrew's Church, Macon Station	45 00
St. James Church, Eufaula	50 00
St. James Church, Livingston	25 00
St. John's Church, Forkland	10 00
St. John's Church, Mobile	150 00
St. John's Church, Montgomery	650 00
St. John's Church, Tuscumbia	15 00
St. Luke's Church, Jacksonville	20 00
St. Luke's Church, Scottsboro	15 00
St. Mark's Church, Fork of Greene	20 00
St. Mark's Church, Prattville	10 00
St. Mark's Church, Troy	15 00
St. Mary's Church, Camden	5 00
St. Mary's Church, Evergreen	15 00
St. Matthew's Church, Autaugaville	5 00
St. Michael's Church, Marengo County	55 00
Calvary Church, Pushmataha	5 00
St. Paul's Church, Carlowville	25 00
St. Paul's Church, Decatur	25 00
St. Paul's Church, Greensboro	150 00
St. Paul's Church, Lowndesboro	15 00
St. Paul's Church, Selma	350 00
St. Paul's Church, Spring Hill	5 00
St. Paul's Church, Whistler	5 00
St. Peter's Church, Talladega	25 00
St. Stephen's Church, Eutaw	50 00
St. Thomas' Church, Greenville	30 00
St. Timothy's Church, Athens	15 00
St. Wilfrid's Church, Marion	45 00
Trinity Church, Demopolis	100 00
Trinity Church, Florence	25 00
Trinity Church, Mobile	300 00
Trinity Church, Union Springs	10 00
St. Alban's Church, Brown's Station	5 00
Brierfield Mission	20 00
St. Luke's, Martin's Station	25 00
Church of Holy Innocents, Auburn	20 00
St. Mary's (The Highlands), Birmingham	250 00
Church of the Holy Comforter, Montgomery	20 00
Church of the Good Shepherd, Mobile	25 00
Total	$4,240 00

EXHIBIT B.

PARISHES IN ARREARS.

Calvary Church, Pushmataha	$ 5 00
Emanuel Church, Opelika	5 00
St. Mark's Church, Troy	5 00
Grace Church, Clayton	20 00
St. Andrew's, Hayneville	15 00
St. Mark's, Prattville	10 00
St. Mary's, Evergreen	15 00
St. Matthew's, Autaugaville	5 00
St. Michael's, Marengo—3 years	125 00
St. Mary's, Camden	5 00
	$210 00

The committee recommend the following arrears be remitted, viz.:

St. David's, Dallas	$ 5 00
Gadsden Mission	30 00
St. Andrew's, Macon	9 50
St. John's, Forkland	7 50
Hamner Hall	10 00
	$62 00

All of which is respectfully submitted.

R. M. NELSON, *Ch'n*, C. L. STICKNEY,
T. S. FRY, W. T. POE,
J. H. FITTS, E. L. WYMAN,
F. M. HIGHT, W. H. DEAN,
W. W. DUGGER.

EXHIBIT C.

THE COMMERCIAL BANK OF SELMA.

R. M. Nelson, Prest. *Capital, $300,000.00* *A. E. Baker, Cashier.*

SELMA, ALA, May 10, 1887.

This Bank holds for safe keeping, assuming no responsibility beyond usual caution and diligence, for the account of Col. N. H. R. Dawson, Treasurer of the Bishop's Fund, the following securities, to wit:

Bonds of the City of Selma, Ala., Nos. 52, 53 & 54, $500 each	$ 1,500 00
Bond of the City of Selma, Ala., No. 116	1,000 00
Class "A" Bonds Nos. 8409, 8410, 8411 and 8424, each $100	400 00
Alabama Register 4% Bonds Nos. 444, 445, 446, 447, 448, 449, 450, 451, 452, 453, 454, 455, 456, 457, 470, 471, $1,000 each	16,000 00
Total	$18,900 00

A. E. BAKER, *Cashier*
The Commercial Bank of Selma, Ala.

On motion, this Report was received and concurred in.

Mr. GEO. A. WILKINS, Selma, Ala., was nominated and elected Treasurer of the Diocese; Mr. WM. BARNWALL, the former Treasurer, declining to be re-elected.

On motion, it was

Resolved, That the thanks of this Council be and are hereby tendered to Mr. Wm. Barnewall for his long and faithful services as Treasurer of the Diocese.

The Council then voted by ballot for the Trustees of the University of the South—Rev. W. T. ALLEN and Mr. N. F. RANDALL, being appointed tellers; and as the result of the balloting, Rev. GEO. M. EVERHART, D. D., Mr. W. W. SCREWS, Mr. T. K. JONES, were declared to be elected.

The Council, voting by ballot, elected Messrs. N. H. R. DAWSON, JOSIAH MORRIS, J. H. FITTS, as Trustees of the Bishop's Fund—Mr. N. H. R. DAWSON being designated as Treasurer.

On motion, the Secretary was instructed to have printed 500 copies of the Journal of this Council.

On motion, it was

Resolved, That this Council do hereby tender their thanks for, and sincere appreciation of, the most cordial entertainment extended by the members of St. Paul's Parish, and other citizens of Greensboro.

On motion, the Secretary was instructed to return thanks to the various Railroad Companies, who offered reduced rates to the members of this body.

On motion, the Council adjourned till 9:30 P. M. Sunday.

FIFTH DAY.

GREENSBORO, May 15, 1887—9:30 P. M.

The Council was called to order, and the Minutes of yesterday's proceedings were read and approved.

On motion, the vote in regard to time of meeting of the Council was reconsidered; and on further motion, the day was changed from April 18th to Wednesday, May 23rd, 1888.

On motion, it was

Resolved, That the Chancellor and the Standing Committee of the Diocese be requested to make a complete Digest of the Canons, and submit such alterations, or amendments, as in their judgment they may deem advisable, and report to the next Diocesan Council.

On motion, the Council adjourned *sine die*.

RICHARD H. WILMER,
President.

R. H. COBBS, *Sec'y.*

[APPENDIX A.]

THE BISHOP OF ALABAMA'S ANNUAL ADDRESS

TO THE

Council of the Diocese of Alabama.

DEAR BRETHREN:—I greet you in the Name of the Lord. May the Divine Blessings rest upon our deliberations.

Herein I present you a report of my official doings since the adjournment of our Annual Council in May last:

May 19th—I met the Clerical and Lay Deputies in Grace Church, Anniston, and after an appropriate sermon by the Rev. Dr. Stringfellow, I organized what was then the "Convention," but is now the "Council" of the Diocese of Alabama. For four days I continued in attendance upon the deliberations of the Council.

May 22d.—I confirmed one person in Grace Church; candidate presented by the Rector of St. James' Church, Livingston.

May 23d.—(Fourth Sunday after Easter) I preached at Grace Church, Anniston; and at evening service, after a sermon by the Rev. Dr. Tucker, confirmed five persons; made an address, and brought to a close the proceedings of the Council.

I cannot pass from my account of labors at Anniston without paying my tribute of commendation to the good people of that city for their generous hospitality. It was agreed upon all sides that, without disparaging the generous hospitality always extended to the members of our Councils, the provision made for our entertainment at this Council was beyond all precedent. The beautiful "Inn" which overlooks the town, was given up to the entertainment of Delegates and guests, and all received and enjoyed a free and hearty welcome.

Nor would it become me to pass by in silence the generous course of the "Woodstock Iron Company," which not only contributed to the hospitalities of the occasion, but has laid the foundation of an enduring memorial to the glory of God and for the good of man for generations to come. Not only has this Com-

pany built a church and school, but it has endowed the church with an amount of real estate that, in time to come, cannot fail to furnish a fund for their continued maintenance and extension. I am not often called upon to chronicle like generous deeds. From the very first this company of generous churchmen has had ever in view the end which has, so far, been nobly consummated. Years ago, I was accustomed to pass through the section of country where Anniston now stands. A dreary country it was—worn out, gullied, and covered with a scanty growth of brushwood—home for neither man nor beast. And when I look on it now, and behold the flaming smoke-stacks—those embodiments of tireless energy—the factory, giving employment to women and children, the comfortable tenements of the toilers, not without vines and flowers to beautify and make them home-like, the dwellings of the proprietors crowning the swelling hills—above all, when I turn my eyes upon the House of God, upon which has been lavished more of art and expenditure than upon any dwelling of men—when I behold all this, and know it was in the hearts of these men to accomplish all this, I bless God for the "Woodstock Iron Company," and have their prosperity and blessedness ever in my prayers. Years ago I predicted what has come to pass—that "The howling wilderness" shall become the

"DIAMOND OF THE DESERT."

When will our men of wealth learn to emulate an example so noble, and "make to themselves friends of the Mammon of Unrighteousness?"

May 24th.—Preached at Cross Plains and confirmed two persons.

May 25th—Preached morning and evening at St. Luke's Church, Jacksonville, and confirmed seven persons.

May 26th.—Preached at St. Peter's Church, Talladega, and confirmed seven persons.

May 27th.—Preached at Brierfield, Shelby county.

May 28th.—Preached at Montevallo, and confirmed two persons.

May 30th.—(Fifth Sunday after Easter) service at Spring Hill.

June 1st.—Participated in a marriage solemnity at Christ's Church, Mobile.

June 6th.—(Sunday after Ascension.) Preached at St. Paul's Church, Spring Hill.

June 10th.—Preached at Union Springs, confirmed ten persons, and celebrated Holy Communion.

June 11th.—Preached at Troy and confirmed nine persons

June 13th.—(Whitsunday.) Preached at St. James' Church, Eufaula, and confirmed eleven persons, celebrating Holy Communion. In the afternoon, addressed the children of the congregation, and at the request of the Rector, baptized an infant. The church at this place, through the earnest work of Rev. Dr. Spalding, Rector, has been moved to a more central position in the city A large and attractive lot has been purchased, and many signs of active life in this parish have manifested themselves.

June 14th.—(Monday in Whitsun Week.) Preached at Clayton, and confirmed eight persons.

June 15th.—(Tuesday in Whitsun Week.) Preached at St. James', Eufaula, confirmed three persons, and celebrated Holy Communion.

June 16th.—Preached at Columbia, near the Florida line, on the Chattahoochee river, morning and evening

June 17th.—Preached at same place; confirmed four persons, baptized an adult and three infants, and celebrated Holy Communion. There is but a small band of communicants at this newly founded village, but they have begun work in earnest, and have purchased a building for worship. The Rev. Dr. Spalding, of Eufaula, gives them occasional services. Dr. Spalding presented eighteen persons for confirmation at this visitation.

June 19th.—Preached at Auburn.

June 20th.—(Trinity Sunday.) Preached at same place; confirmed seven persons and celebrated Holy Communion. Rev. DeB. Waddell presented for confirmation twenty-six persons at this visitation. Active measures are in progress for building a church at this important locality.

June 22d.—Consented to Rev. E. Gardiner Weed's consecration as Bishop of Florida, Received certificate from Revs. Messrs. Banister and Beard that Percy Gordon had passed a satisfactory examination for Deacon's Orders.

June 26th.—Preached at Grand Bay.

June 27th.—(First Sunday after Trinity.) Preached at same place and confirmed five persons.

July 1st.—Consented to the translation of Bishop Tuttle, (Missionary Bishop) to the Episcopate of the Diocese of Missouri.

July 4th.—(Second Sunday after Trinity.) Held service at Spring Hill.

July 11th.—(Third Sunday after Trinity.) Held service at Spring Hill, and after sermon by Rev. C. B. Wilmer, of Florida, celebrated Holy Communion. At evening service, preached at Church of the "Good Shepherd," and confirmed fifteen persons.

July 17th.—At Huntsville, consecrated the "Memorial Chapel," built and presented by Mrs. Bibb, to The Church of the Nativity; sermon by the Rev. T. I. Beard. This Chapel is a most valuable addition to the church accommodotions in Huntsville, affording ample room for Sunday School and lectures. This building was a gift to the church at Huntsville by Mrs. Bibb.

July 18th.—(Fourth Sunday after Trinity.) Preached at Church of the Nativity, ordained Deacon Percy Gordon, and celebrated Holy Communion. At evening service, after sermon by Rev. T. I. Beard, made an address to the congregation, and confirmed seven persons.

August 1st.—(Sixth Sunday after Trinity.) Preached at Orkney Springs, Va.

August 6th.—Consented to Bishop Whitaker's translation to the Assistant Episcopate of the Diocese of Pennsylvana.

August 8th —(Seventh Sunday after Trinity.) Participated in Divine service at Orkney Springs, Va.

August 15th.—(Eighth Sunday after Trinity.) Preached at Orkney Springs, Va.

August 29th —(Tenth Sunday after Trinity.) Preached at Christ Church, Winchester, Va.

September 1st.—Received certificate from Rev. Messrs. Beard and Carnahan that Rev. Obre R. Bourne had passed a satisfactory literary examination, and thereupon received him as candidate for Priest's Orders.

September 5th.—(Eleventh Sunday after Trinity.) Preached at Christ Church, Riverdale, N. Y., and celebrated Holy Communion. Lectured at evening service.

September 12th —Twelfth Sunday after Trinity.) Preached at St. John's Church, Richfield, N. Y.

September 19th.—(Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity.) Preached at St. Peter's Church, New York City.

September 26th.—(Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity.) Preached at All Saints' Church, Brookland, Penn.

October 3d —(Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity.) Preached at same church, and celebrated Holy Communion.

October 6th.—Participated in opening services of General Convention at St. James' Church, Chicago.

October 17th.—(Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity.) Preached at River-side, Illinois, celebrating Holy Communion at early morning service.

October 24th.—(Eighteenth Sunday after Trinity.) Preached at Ann Arbor, Michigan. My visit to this city was one of peculiar interest The Bishop of Michigan—one of the sons of Alabama—has erected a building at this place for the especial benefit of young men of the University of Michigan, who are members of church families. This building—called the Hobert Guild—affords a home centre for our boys, and is presided over by the Rector of the church in this place. The Bishop has also secured the delivery of courses of lectures from time to time. Thus it is provided that our young men shall have all the advantages of the course of instruction furnished by this distinguished University, and at the same time enjoy the privilege of church teaching from our most learned divines.

While here I had the privilege of hearing the first leture of the "Baldwin Course" of lectures, by the Bishop of Western New York. The whole plan of buildings and lectures appears to me a happy conception on the part of the Bishop of Michigan; and, when church Universities of the highest grade cannot be obtained, is well worthy of adoption.

October 31st.—(Nineteenth Sunday after Trinity.) I preached at St. Paul's, Spring Hill.

November 7th —(Twentieth Sunday after Trinity.) Preached at Calvary Church, New Orleans. The Vestry of Christ Church congregation, temporarily worshipping at Calvary Church, had requested me to hold a service in memory of the late Rev. Alex. I. Drysdale, Rector of Christ Church. I could not but respond to such a request. The good brother, who was removed from earth in the midst of his days, had labored for many years in this Diocese as Rector of Christ Church, Mobile, and was, during many years, my faithful friend and wise counsellor. He was a noble specimen of Christian manhood. I still mourn his loss. None but they who knew him well could appreciate his worth.

November 11th —I preached at Trinity Church, Demopolis, and confirmed seven persons.

November 12th.—I met the Convocation of Selma at St. Andrew's Church, Prairieville, and made an address.

November 13th.—This was the day of my appointment for visitation at St. Andrew's, and it so chanced that the hour for Divine service synchronized with the time of Mrs. W. P. Bocock's funeral solemnities. I was thus afforded an opportunity of taking part in the services and preaching to a large congregation gathered from the surrounding country. Mrs. Bocock was a devoted member of the church, and signalized her undying regard for its interests by leaving a sum of money equal to her usual subscription, to be paid in perpetuity to the Rector of St. Andrew's. This provision, on her part, was quite characteristic of Mrs. Bocock, blending as it did, a generous sentiment with practical good sense. Thus her works do still follow her. Strange, indeed, it is, that so few of our Christian people give their diligence to lay up treasure which shall survive the decay to which all earthly things must tend. Who follows in her train? On the same day I confirmed four young men. It is not often that I have to record such a confirmation—all men.

November 14th.—Failed to meet my appointment at St. Michael's, because of a sharp attack of illness. The Rev. W. A. Stickney, however, was present and supplied my lack of service.

November 16th.—Preached at Church of the Holy Cross, at Uniontown, and confirmed six persons; one of them, a sick person, in private.

November 17th.—At Trinity Church, Demopolis, I gave the benediction at a marriage service.

November 19th.—Preached at St. John's Church, Forkland.

Novembor 20th.—Preached at St. Mark's Church, Fork of Greene, and confirmed four persons.

November 21st.—(Sunday before Advent.) Preached morning and evening at St. Stephen's Church, Eutaw, confirming five persons.

November 23d.—Preached at St. James', Livingston, and confirmed thirteen persons, making, with one confirmed at Anniston from this church, the number of fourteen confirmed.

November 28th.—Held services at Spring Hill.

December 5th.—(Second Sunday in Advent.) Held service at Spring Hill.

December 12th.—(Third Sunday in Advent.) Preached at

Christ Church, Tuscaloosa, confirming twenty-six persons, and celebrating Holy Communion. In the afternoon I preached to the students of the University of Alabama.

December 15th.—Lectured at Christ Church, Tuscaloosa, and confirmed one person—twenty-seven confirmed at this visitation.

December 19th.—(Fourth Sunday in Advent.) Preached at Church of the Advent, Birmingham, and confirmed thirteen persons. In the afternoon addressed the children. The growth of this newly-born city is without precedent. At a vestry meeting of the church, it was agreed on all hands that it was expedient to build, as soon as possible, two new churches; one immediately, and the other at no distant time. But whilst Birmingham is being built up so rapidly by the influx of the surrounding population, our churches in the villages of the State are losing many of their best inhabitants. Indeed, I greatly fear that some of our churches, for this cause, will find themselves unable to sustain a ministry. Thus does death ever follow life.

December 25th.—(Feast of the Nativity.) Celebrated Divine service at St. Paul's Church, Spring Hill; sermon by the Rev. Dr. Wilmer, of the University of the South.

December 26th.—(Sunday after Christmas.) Preached at St. John's Church, Mobile, and confirmed eleven persons.

1887.—January 2d.—(Second Sunday after Christmas.) I preached at Trinity Church, Mobile, and confirmed six persons.

January 6th.—I participated in the funeral services of Mr. James Bond, at St. John's Church, Mobile.

The death of Mr. Bond has created a large vacancy in the church of this Diocese. As a Christian man, he exemplified all the excellencies which constitute and adorn the Christian character. As a Vestryman, he sustained the interests of his parish church; foremost in duty and abounding in liberality. As a member of this body, he was ever wise in counsel, and often guided its deliberations in matters of delicacy and perplexity. As a Lay Deputy to the General Convention, he ever represented with fidelity and ability the interests of his Diocese. As Chancellor of the Diocese, his aid and counsel were of inestimable value to his Bishop. "Who follows in his train?" Where is the Layman who will rise up and fill his place? To myself he was an unfailing help. Let not his memory perish from among us. Let

some fitting testimonial from this Council declare our sense of his worth, and our grief at his departure from our midst.

January 9th.—(First Sunday after Epiphany.) Held services at Spring Hill.

January 16th.—(Second Sunday after Epiphany.) I preached at Christ Church, Mobile.

January 23d.—(Third Sunday after Epiphany.) Was prevented by stormy weather from fulfilling an appointment at Whistler.

January 30th.—(Fourth Sunday after Epiphany.) I preached at St. Paul's Church, Whistler.

February 6th.—(Septuagesima Sunday.) Held services at Spring Hill.

February 9th.—I visited Anniston with the view especially of seeing the condition of our school and church property at that place. Anniston has taken a new departure since the Council met there last spring. The valuable town lots which have been deeded to the church by the Woodstock Company, have greatly appreciated in value, and will constitute a large endowment. A commodious school building for girls has been erected by Mr. Samuel Noble, in the immediate neighborhood of the church, and is in successful operation. It is understood that Mr. Noble contemplates the building of a school for boys. These Institutions, together with the steady and healthy growth of population, afford ample scope for the labors of the Priest in charge.

Our people will hear with pleasure that the Rev. Philip A. Fitts, one of the sons of Alabama, has returned to his native State, and is in charge of Grace Church, Anniston.

February 13th.—(Sexagesima Sunday.) Preached at Emanuel Church, Henrico county, Virginia, this and the following Sunday. The building of this church, near Richmond, was my last work in the Diocese of Virginia; and with grateful and overflowing heart I saw the continued growth and prosperity of a church which was begun in faith and munificent offerings. My dear friends, John and Daniel Stewart, builded together this House unto the Lord. Shall they not have a place in "Everlasting habitations?" Alas! that so few of our Laity grasp at the opportunity to lay up for themselves a great reward, even the unfailing Treasures in Heaven!

March 6th.—(Second Sunday in Lent.) I preached at St. John's Church, Montgomery, and celebrated Holy Communion.

In the afternoon of same day I made an address at the opening of the "Church of the Holy Comforter." It will be remembered that, during the war of the States, the Rev. Dr. Scott, of Pensacola, started a congregation under this title. The congregation, for the larger part, was composed of refugees from Florida, and other States. At the restoration of peace, there was no demand for a new church, and the building was removed. But now, in consequence of the growth of Montgomery, there is a demand for greater church accommodation, and the proceeds of the original property have been appropriated to the erection of the present building, which will take the old name of the "Holy Comforter," and thus perpetuate the memory and complete the design of the first movers in this undertaking. The Rev. Dr. Stringfellow, I need not say, has projected and carried to completion the present building. It is admirably planned and might serve as a model for churches of like capacity and scale of expenditure.

Whilst penning the above lines, the memory of Col. Samuel G. Jones, formerly of this Diocese, comes vividly before me. Col. Jones was one of our foremost men in Montgomery in every good word and work. The church in this Diocese owes to his memory a most grateful appreciation. He it was who largely helped to build up "Hamner Hall." He it was who chiefly started the original "Church of the Holy Comforter." He removed from our midst to Sewanee, Tennessee, and largely contributed, as was his wont, to every enterprise which looked to the building up of the church. He fell, as a good soldier loves to fall, in the midst of duty, and with his "harness on." The old men are passing away. Are the men of this generation closing up ranks, and emulating the deeds of their sires?

March 20th.—(Fourth Sunday in Lent.) Preached at Trinity Church, Mobile, and celebrated Holy Communion.

March 27th.—(Fifth Sunday in Lent.) Preached at Trinity Church, Florence, confirming five persons and celebrating Holy Communion. In the afternoon of same day I preached at Sheffield, to a large congregation, in a school house I found here quite a number of earnest church people, who are taking active measures for the speedy erection of a church building.

March 28th.—Preached at St. John's, Tuscumbia, confirming five persons and celebrating Holy Communion.

March 29th.—Officiated in same church, and confirmed two persons. Rev. B. F. Mower, in charge of these latter named places, presented twelve persons for confirmation at this visitation.

March 29th—Preached at night service at St. Paul's Church, Decatur; baptized an adult and confirmed two persons.

March 30th—Preached at same church, and celebrated Holy Communion.

March 30th—At night service preached at St. Timothy's Church, Athens.

March 31st—Preached at same church and celebrated Holy Communion.

March 31st—At night service, same day, preached at Grace Church, Morgan county, and confirmed two persons.

April 1st—Preached at same church; confirmed one person and celebrated Holy Communion.

At both of these two last-named localities there is a building nearly ready for consecration. The Rev. Percy Gordon, Deacon, officiates in these localities, and also at Decatur and Scottsboro'.

April 2d—Confirmed a sick person in private at Huntsville; candidate presented by the Rev. Dr. Banister.

April 3d—(Sunday next before Easter.) Preached, morning and evening, at "Church of the Nativity," Huntsville; at latter service confirming eight persons. Number confirmed in this church since last Council, sixteen.

April 4th—(Monday before Easter.) Preached at same church and celebrated Holy Communion. At night service, same day, preached at St. Luke's Church, Scottsboro', Jackson county, and confirmed six persons. Rev. Percy Gordon, Deacon, presented at this visitation for confirmation eleven persons.

April 5th—(Tuesday before Easter.) Preached at same church and celebrated Holy Communion.

April 6th—(Wednesday before Easter.) Preached at St. Paul's Church, Decatur.

April 7th—(Thursday before Easter.) Preached at the "Church of the Advent," Birmingham, and confirmed seventeen persons; celebrating, also, Holy Communion.

Number confirmed in this church, since last Council, thirty.

April 10th—(Easter Sunday.) Preached at Trinity Church, Mobile, and confirmed seven persons.

At afternoon service, in same church, participated in the Children's Easter Festival, and made an address to the little ones.

April 17th—(First Sunday after Easter.) Preached at Christ Church, Mobile, and confirmed seventeen persons.

April 22d—Held a supplementary Confirmation at Trinity Church, Mobile, and confirmed two persons.

Number confirmed in this church, since last report, fifteen.

April 24th—(Second Sunday after Easter.) Preached at St. John's Church, Mobile, and confirmed sixty-six persons; seventy-seven confirmed in this Church since last report.

April 28th—Preached at St. Mark's Church, Evergreen.

April 29th—Preached at St. John's Church, Greenville, and confirmed fifteen persons.

May 1st—(Third Sunday after Easter.) Preached at St. John's Church, Montgomery, and celebrated Holy Communion. In the afternoon made an address to same congregation, and confirmed twenty-eight persons.

I was prevented by sickness from fulfilling appointments at Carlowville and County Line, but hope to visit those points at an early day.

May 8th—(Fourth Sunday after Easter.) Preached at St. Paul's Church, Selma, and confirmed 19 persons. I also baptized the infant child of the Rector and two adults.

May 9th—Preached at St. Wilfrid's, Marion, and confirmed six persons.

May 10th—Preached at same church.

May 10th—In the evening of same day, after a sermon by the Rev. Stewart McQueen, made an address and confirmed seven persons at St. Paul's Church, Greensboro'.

This brings me to the close of the present Conciliar year.

SUMMARY.

The following is a summary of my official acts since the session of the last Annual Council:

Baptisms—Adults, 3; Infants, 4.....Total..	7
Deacons Ordained.....	1
Lay Readers Licensed..	10
Churches Consecrated.....	1
Number of persons Confirmed.....	415

I have transferred to other Dioceses, Rev. Wallace Carnahan,

to the Diocese of Arkansas; Rev. W. W. Kimball, to the Diocese of Georgia.

I have received by Letters Dismissory, Rev. Philip A. Fitts, from Diocese of Tennessee.

I have transferred, by request of the Bishop of Arkansas, Deaconess (Sister Irene) to Diocese of Arkansas.

OFFICIAL CONSENTS.

I have given my Canonical consent to the consecration of Rev. Edwin Gardiner Weed to the Episcopate of the Diocese of Florida.

Also, to the consecration of Rev. Elisha Smith Thomas, to the Assistant Episcopate of the Diocese of Kansas.

Also, to the translation of Bishop Tuttle from the Missionary Field to the Episcopate of the Diocese of Missouri.

Also, to the translation of Bishop Whitaker, from the Missionary Field to the Assistant Episcopate of the Diocese of Pennsylvania.

It strikes me that the transfer of Missionary Bishops, who have spent the flower of their days in arduous work upon our frontiers, is in every respect to be regarded with favor. They bring a full experience to bear upon the management of our large and important Dioceses.

DEPOSITIONS.

I have received official notice of depositions as follows, viz:

Julius E. Everhardt, by Bishop of Albany.

Joseph T. Wright, by Bishop of Pittsburg.

F. A. Juny, (Deacon), by Bishop of Tennessee.

Isaac E. Black, by Bishop of Tennessee.

Joseph Kidder, by Bishop of Pennsylvania.

John Jay Joyce, by Bishop of Albany.

John Kiernan, by Bishop of East Carolina.

W. L. Watson, by Bishop of Maine.

Joseph H. Fry, by Bishop of Missouri.

Casper M. Wines, by Bishop of Albany.

W. C. Nesbitt, (Deacon), by Bishop of Central New York.

Geo. W. Bowne, (for Diocese of Easton), by Bishop of Maryland.

Jas. G. Armstrong, by Bishop of Georgia.

John R. R. Robinson, by Bishop of Central Pennsylvania.

Wm. Edward Walker, (for Wisconsin), by Bishop of Fond du Lac.

Also, notice of suspension of Revs. Nils Nordene, Ephriem Therien and John R. West, by the Bishop of Chicago.

CLERICAL CHANGES WITHIN THE DIOCESE SINCE LAST COUNCIL.

Rev. Philip A. Fitts has become Rector of Grace Church, Anniston.

Rev. Percy Gordon, Deacon, officiates at Scottsboro', Athens, Trinity and Decatur.

Rev. Geo. M. Everhart, D. D., has, in addition to his duties as Rector of Hamner Hall School, taken missionary charge of Calera, Prattville and Opelika.

Rev. B. F. Mower officiates at Sheffield, in addition to his pastoral care of Florence and Tuscumbia.

CONDITION OF CHURCH PROPERTY UNDER MY CHARGE.

Gibson Estate. Since my last report I have received $747.50, less 10 per cent. commisson of Attorneys. I have divided $500 of this amount equally with the Church Home and the widow of the deceased, according to the provisions of the will and the requirements of the law, reserving the balance until a law suit, now commenced, shall have been decided.

PROPOSED ASYLUM FOR WIDOWS AND ORPHANS AT HUNTSVILLE.

I hold at this time for the benefit of said proposed Asylum, as follows, viz.

1 Ala. Bond for $1,000, (A), 4 per cent, present value..	$1,097 50
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1 " " $100 " " " ..	110 00
	$2,305 00
Cash in hand for investment.....	76 14
	$2,381 14

I hold, besides, 36 shares of Madison Turnpike Company stock, of no ascertainable value, although it yields an annual dividend.

FOR NEW CHURCH AT FLORENCE.

I hold for benefit of said church

2 $100 Tennessee Bonds, present value	$158 00
Besides, in cash.....	8 00
Amount.....	$ 166 00

CHURCH HOME FUND.

I hold for benefit of said Institution as follows, viz:

9 Registered Ala. Bonds, (A) $1,000, each, cost	$5,486 14
9 " " " " " " "	7,367 50
1 " " Bond " " "	1,097 50
1 M. & O. R. R. Bond, First Mortgage (6 per cent.)	1,172 50
	$15,123 64

Present market value of above	$21,952 50
Cash in hand for current expenses	1,500 00
Amount available	$23,452 50

THEOLOGICAL DEPARTMENT OF UNIVERSITY OF THE SOUTH.

As heretofore, I have been compelled to make advances to this fund in order to meet the urgent needs of the Professors, whose sole means of living are derived from the voluntary donations of the Dioceses.

Those received as follows, in order to cover advances made, viz:

From Church of the Advent, Birmingham	$188 40
" St. Stephen's, Eutaw	5 00
" Christ Church, Tuskaloosa	20 00
" St. Paul's Church, Greensboro'	25 00
" Grace Church, Anniston	11 10
" St. Paul's Church, Selma	10 05
" Christ Church, Mobile	29 45
" Church of the Holy Cross, Uniontown	8 00
" Trinity Church, Demopolis	35 00
" Trinity Church, Mobile	22 20
" (Reported by Dr. DuBose) Grace Church, Anniston,	25 00
" " " " St. Wilfrid's, Marion,	18 35
" " " " Faunsdale, (Mrs. M. D. Morgan)	20 00
" " " " St. Thomas' Church, Greenville	5 00
Total Offerings	$422 55

I have sent to Dr. DuBose at sundry times	$354 20	
Amount received by Dr. DuBose from others,	68 35	
Total	$422 55	

PROPERTY AT KUSHLA.

It may be remembered that some years ago the Rev. Chester Newell gave a piece of property to the Diocese, for the benefit of the "Church of the Good Shepherd," in Mobile. This property lies apart from all commerce in the piney woods, and is going rapidly to decay. I have offered it for sale, publicly and privately, but without finding a purchaser. At last I am offered $300 for it, $100 of which was paid down, sale conditional upon the approval of this Council. I ask, as required by the lately amended act of incorporation, the authority from this Council to give title.

In order to bring this whole matter of the disposition of church property to a business-like conclusion, it is needful that the Council should provide, in a formal manner, for the mode of selling property; also establish a corporation seal, and make all necessary arrangements, such, for example, as to the mode by which said seal shall be affixed to deeds, etc.

THE CHANCELLORSHIP.

The lamented death of Mr. James Bond, the Chancellor of the Diocese since the creation of the office, will render necessary the election of a Chancellor at the present session of the Council.

Inasmuch as the Canon creating the office of Chancellor has never been published among the Canons of the Diocese, I insert it here for the information of the Council.

"Canon IV. A Chancellor of the Diocese shall be elected by "the Convention ("Council") at each annual meeting, who shall "be the Advisor of the Bishop in all legal matters pertaining to the "Diocese, and Counsel in all suits at law that may arise in the "administration of its affairs."

(See page 22 of Journal for 1882.)

DIOCESAN MISSIONS.

I have not the heart to speak more upon this subject. In order to meet the urgent need of our Missionaries in the Field, I have been compelled, as usual, to advance funds to enable the Treasurer to meet the quarterly payments, and the advance, at this writing (April 13), has not been returned for lack of funds in the treasury. This is a lamentable state of things in view of the smallness of the amounts estimated, and the magnitude of the interests involved. Let the following statement suffice to show how insignificant an effort would rectify this whole matter. One cent a week from

every Communicant in the Diocese would have yielded more for the support of our Diocesan Missionaries than has been contributed during the past year.

"Whosoever despiseth little things shall perish by little and little." It is a sad thought to me that I could have ten more Missionaries in the field if the Communicants in the Diocese would each give me a dime per week.

One thing can be done, and should be done in every Parish, and that is to advance the fund which is expected from each Parish. If a Parish cannot do this, and if men cannot be found to do this, that Parish is nigh unto death, so far as Missionary work is concerned.

NECROLOGICAL.

The past year has been marked by the removal from the "Church Militant here on Earth," of three of our most aged and revered Bishops, viz.: Bishop Potter, of New York; Bishop Green, of Mississippi; and, within a few weeks, our Presiding Bishop, Lee, of Delaware. They were singularly pure men in the exercise of their Holy Office, conservative in their views, wise in their administration and honored of all men. We cannot deplore their departure, save for the loss of so much goodness and purity to the church on earth. They had done a full day's work in the Master's Vineyard, and have entered into their rest.

Three, also, of the Priesthood have been called from the scene of their earthly labors: Rev. Alex. I. Drysdale, formerly of Christ Church, Mobile, and lately of Christ Church, New Orleans; Rev. J. A. Massey, D. D., formerly of Trinity Church, Mobile, and lately of Rochester, New York; and Rev. John Y. Gholson, D.D., late of North Carolina. I have spoken of the first named of these brethren already in the course of this address. His memory is fresh in our hearts, and will long linger lovingly in our remembrance. The Rev. Dr. Massey was, for a period of more than thirty years, identified with the work of this Diocese, which ever manifested its confidence in him by preferring him to offices of trust and honor. He may be said to have been the principal founder and builder of Trinity Church, Mobile, which he served with a diligence and devotion rarely equalled. As a pastor he could not have been surpassed for the sympathy and devotion with which he cherished his devoted flock. The Rev. Dr. Ghol-

son labored for many years at St. Michael's, in the Canebrake region, with great fidelity and earnestness, and returned during the close of his days, only to find a resting place beside the walls of the church which he so dearly loved and had so devotedly served.

Let us all lay to heart the lessons of earnestness and devotion which have been left by these, our brethren, who having finished their course, do now rest from their labors; magnifying the Divine Grace which was manifested in their lives, and imploring for ourselves a portion of the same bestowal, so that we may follow their good examples, and with them become partakers of the Heavenly Kingdom.

REPROSPECTIVE.

On the 6th March, 1862, I was consecrated Bishop of the Diocese of Alabama. This Council is, therefore, the twenty-sixth that I have attended and over which I have been privileged to preside. I cannot but regard it as a signal mark of Divine goodness that I have, in all these years, not once failed to be present at the opening session of this Council, and but once failed (on account of sickness) to preside over its deliberations.

It has seemed to me that it would be most meet and edifying if I should, instead of taking up any special subject and elaborating it, give you my views upon some leading question of enduring interest and concern. But first, let me give you the following

SUMMARY OF EPISCOPAL ACTS FOR THE LAST TWENTY-FIVE YERRS:

Lay Readers Licensed	149
Deaconesses Instituted	15
Deacons Ordained	29
Priests Ordained	17
Bishops Consecrated (assisting at six consecrations)	1
Churches Consecrated (some out of the Diocese)	24
Number of persons Confirmed	8,134
N. B.—New Churches now awaiting Consecration	6

CHURCH BUILDINGS.

No. Church Buildings March 6, 1862	34
No. of Churches Removed to other Localities	6
No. of Churches taken Down and Rebuilt	5
No. New Church Buildings Erected	26
Present number occupied as Churches	60

N. B —Some Church Buildings have gone into utter decay, the population having removed or died.

No. of Clergy March 6, 1862, (five non-residents)..... 34
Present number..... 29

It will be seen from the above statement that, whilst the number of church buildings has increased from 36 to 60, the number of (resident) clergy is precisely the same that it was twenty-five years ago. This is a painful exhibit of changefulness among the clergy; especially when viewed in connection with the fact that during that period of time I have ordained 29 Deacons and 17 Priests, and have received into the Diocese by Letters Dismissory 59 clergymen from other Dioceses. These statistics show through what a disorganizing revolution the church and the whole of this section of country has passed during a quarter of a century. And the disorganization must continue for some time, until order shall spring out of the present prevailing chaos. The recent development of mineral wealth in one section of the State is felt throughout all its borders. Population is in a state of flux. The people gravitate towards these newly established centres, leaving behind them impoverished parishes in our villages and rural districts. So far, it would be difficult to see that any great good has, as yet, accrued to the church at large from its rapid growth at a few centres. At present, the body Ecclesiastical, as well as financial and industrial, is in a state of congestion, with engorged arteries and depleted veins. It would be well worth the while to dwell upon the whole case, and to show its pathology and prescribe the needful treatment. But it is hardly worth the while just now. The one part of our people are too much exalted, and the other too much depressed to recognize disease, or to submit to treatment. We must wait for some healthy reaction, and for that more wholesome state of mind that will come in time from experience. Meanwhile, our people should ponder the lessons and learn the duties of the hour. Whilst ministers and people are, in their efforts for moral reform, hewing away at the branches of evil, they fail, I fear, to put the ax at the root of all forms of evil—"The love of money;" the "*fames sacra auri.*" They dream not that, while war slays its hundreds, and intemperance its thousands, and sensuality its tens of thousands, this idolatrous passion—"the haste to be rich"—is slaying its millions; slaying their souls, destroying their love of God, and all interest in His promises; so that multitudes neither love those things which He, their Master, commandeth, nor desire those things which He promiseth to the faithful.

To the outward eye, the organ of sense, the whole outlook is fascinating. The kingdoms of the world and the glory of them are all outspread for worship and service. The God of this world blinds the eyes of them which believe not, yea, dazzles the eyes of them which believe, and the rush for immediate accumulation—the "haste to be rich"—demoralizes the larger part of our population. Meanwhile, within the borders of this large State and Diocese, there is but one man who comes forward to enrol himself among the candidates for the sacred ministry. Men and boys alike ask the question: "Is there any money in it?" Their hearts are turned downward, prone upon the earth, and they have no eyes for anything but the present, and no ears for that voice from Heaven: "He that winneth souls is wise; and they that turn many to righteousness shall shine as the stars forever and ever."

Could I see our people, who are favored with this sudden influx of prosperity, recognizing their obligations and increasing responsibilities, I might share the general joy in the prospect of a future prosperity. As yet, I do not see many such indications. Alas! for those who are "rich towards themselves and poor towards God." It is a most suggestive fact, one which it becomes us all to ponder deeply, that whilst the wealth of the State has received a sudden and enormous increase, there has never been in in any previous year—no, not in the time of our greatest impoverishment—so much difficulty and delay in raising the means to discharge our obligations to our missionaries in the field. If this is to be the effect of increased wealth, God send us our former poverty.

I would most earnestly impress upon our people in the more prosperous parts of the Diocese, the consideration of one most startling fact: These large centres of enterprise, and industry, and capital, are drawing and absorbing into themselves the labor, property, talent, industry and population of our villages and rural districts, producing, as I have before said, congestion and engorgement of the large arteries, but causing the chill of death at the extremities.

But until this chill passes off and healthy circulation is restored, but little can be done to relieve the condition of the patient. Shall I say to you, my brethren, that I cannot with unmixed feelings of satisfaction contemplate the sudden rise of prosperity in our midst. History records no growth of moral or religious interest commen-

surate with, and growing up with, the sudden influx of wealth. Quite the reverse. Show me the man whose spiritual growth keeps pace with a sudden and unlooked for prosperity, and what is true of the individual man is, of course, necessarily true of the mass.

But I turn to different themes. Had I not felt constrained in all conscience to touch this matter, I would, upon such an occasion as this, have confined myself to matters of more pleasing interest. While the great mass of his people are being fascinated and bewildered and dazed by the god of this world, the Watchman should keep awake, even if in vain.

When I have stood, as I have during these last few months, before large audiences at some of our industrial centres, and have told them, as I have tried to tell them, of the danger of making haste to be rich—of "the godliness with contentment, which is great gain"—and have urged them with the trumpet-note of the Apostle, "But thou, oh men of God, flee these things and follow after righteousness, faith, holiness," I have been constrained to feel as if I were standing on the brink of Niagara and trying to persuade that impetuous torrent to "flow more gently." Yet are these rushing people, like that resistless current, sweeping on to swift and sure oblivion in the vaster deep, where all distinctions are engulfed as in eternity.

The great danger is ultimately to the morals of our people. Piety is the life of good morals. The religious life being languid, the moral principles become enervated. The soul having renounced the law of love, becomes a willing subject to the law of trade. An idol is then set up in the heart, and thus comes the "Covetousness," which is "Idolatry."

The tendency is now in an intense degree to rely rather upon speculation than upon steady industry; and thus it is that the essential virus of gambling corrupts the whole system of trade, and not only without rebuke, but with applause

Now, the essential difference between speculative and legitimate business is this—and it is a world-wide difference: The speculative brings gain to one man and a corresponding loss to another. On the contrary, in legitimate business, all are gainers, the producer, the intermediary, and the consumer. This latter is in harmony with the eternal law of love, and is wholesome. The other

ignores and violates that law, breeds selfishness of soul, enfeebles the moral nerve, and engenders a dangerous excitability unwholesome alike to soul and body.

I say, therefore, with one of old, who gives us this counsel from the God and Father of us all, "Then, oh men of God, flee these things."

THE LATE GENERAL CONVENTION.

It will be naturally expected that I should say something in reference to the late General Convention, held in Chicago.

The results of that convention are now spread before the church, and it would be superfluous in me to give you in detail the completed and binding action of that body.

REVISION OF THE PRAYER BOOK.

With regard to this whole matter of revision, I have not had much sympathy, except as it regards increased flexibility in the use of the church service. I felt a great interest in the legislation which pertained to that question. But when it comes to the question of "enrichment of the Liturgy," I have grave doubts as to the expediency of further legislation in that direction. And for the simple reason that I do not think that the General Convention, with all its concomitants and surroundings, is competent to "enrich" our Liturgy. I can conceive of a learned and devout and chosen set of Divines and Laymen sequestering themselves in some quiet nook of earth, beside the shores of old ocean or on the mountain top, and by prayer and fasting, feeding upon old Liturgies and books of devotion, attaining to something of "the lost Liturgical Art;" but I feel a great reluctance to putting the "Book of Common Prayer" into the hands of committees amid the lunches and dinings and whirl of the modern "General Convention." On this hint I spoke what I had to speak, and said in my place in General Convention what I feel in my heart of hearts. "I thank God that our Liturgies, Creeds and Pastoral Epistles were written before the days of "General Conventions!"

We may add a few Collects here and there, and change the "Magnificat." from this place to that, and recall the lost Collect, "Lighten our Darkness, oh Lord" (a prayer now much needed), but I have a painful conviction that with all this we have not just now the faculty for "enrichment." This age is in some of its aspects an exceeding great age—an age of wonderful invention,

activity and practical beneficence—but it is not a Liturgical Age. That age must be developed in prayer and devotion, amid persecution and suffering. Let us be content to play the part and perform the role which the temper of the times, the constitution of our legislative bodies and our present capability leaves open to us. "This kind of power"—the kind that we aspire to—"comes not forth" at the foot of the mountain amid questionings with the scribes and the multitude, but on the Mount of Transfiguration, "by prayers and fastings"—a hopeless outlook at our General Conventions as now constituted—when, instead of silence and devotion, there is much speechification and feasting.

No! we must enrich ourselves before we can hope to enrich aught else. And had the time already expended in efforts to revise the Old Liturgy, been spent in efforts to revise ourselves—in repressing our excess of individuality, self-will and lawlessness, and in bending ourselves to the spirit, law and traditions of this Church, we had made a great advance indeed. This spirit of subordination to authority and of fidelity to vows is one of our great needs to-day. We do need it much more than we do revisions of the Liturgy and the like. For if we are at all straitened, it is not in the want of richness of provision, but in our lack of power to digest and assimilate the food that is now spread before us.

CHANGE OF NAME.

Perhaps the particular matter before the Convention which excited the liveliest interest was that which looked to a change of the Name of our Branch of the Church in the United States of America. I have something to say upon that matter, for I am persuaded that the question is one which draws deeper and affects the minds of a large portion of our people more gravely than many of our legislators have as yet imagined.

It is not at all as if a new subject were introduced—a name for a new organization of men proposed. Whatever may be the alleged, and admitted, infelicity of the present appellation—and I freely admit that were the name now for the first time proposed for adoption, I would not vote for it—the change of a name is a serious matter; serious to those whose ancestors for generations have lived and rejoiced to live in the principles set forth in that name—not serious to those who have newly come into the family

and household. These newcomers—adopted children as they are—cannot understand or appreciate the deep-rooted attachment of the "Old Folks" for the family name, and they can vote for a change with the coldness of a hard chiselled logic—the warm and glowing sentiment not being cared for, indeed not comprehended.

There were many speakers in that General Convention, who could not be made to comprehend that there were Dioceses represented in that body which would have separated from the General Convention if a name, endeared to them by every association most dear to the heart, had been then changed. They would have reasoned—and their reasons could not well be answered—that the *Legislative* Union of Dioceses has no Divine obligation, but that devotion to truth, loyalty of conviction—all of which to them are involved in the matter pending and expressed in the Name—demanded of them that they should stand by their Flag, and that by it they would die, or bear it from the field of combat in honor.

One great difficulty we have to encounter in the adjustment of this and kindred questions, arises from the fact (which I emphasize by repetition) that so many of our brethren, both Clerical and Lay, are new-comers in our midst, and do not appreciate the sacredness and depth of sentiment which clusters about old names and family traditions. We fault them not for this, but it is most needful for them to understand and appreciate it, when called upon to legislate upon matters involving sacredly cherished traditions. With the large mass of our old church people, the proposal to change the name of their church is a more serious matter than would be the proposal to change a family name that had been associated with noble deeds and illustrious ancestors. I share in this sentiment to a great extent. I do not share in it to such an extent that I am blind to the fact that there is much infelicity in the name whereby we are distinguished and known in Christiandom. Could this church agree with any great degree of unanimity in the selection of a name that would meet all difficulties and reconcile all opposition, and give us an appellation better suited to a Branch of the Historic Catholic Church, I could not but favor the adoption of such a name, however it might pain me to take such a step.

But before giving my consent and vote for any change, some conditions would have to be most satisfactorily settled. If, for

example, a change of name were proposed by a certain class of men—and the fact cannot be denied that there is such a class—who desired to take away the title "Protestant," because they wished to favor that against which the protest was aimed, then I would join issue with them just there. The name "Protestant," would be the battle flag—the flag under which our forefathers fought—aye, fought to the stake.

Historically and doctrinally viewed, the name of "Protestant,"—not as claimed by every sectist, but as worn by our Anglican Fathers, and as interpreted and vindicated by them with a wealth of knowledge and a depth of devotion rarely displayed—the name, I say, of "Protestant," thus signalized, was a grand assertion of fidelity to the "Catholic Faith." Their's was a protest against the uncatholic teaching of Rome, and a sublime and triumphant Protest it was. Indeed, when you view this whole matter in all its historical and doctrinal bearings, the word "Protestant," as used by the Anglican Fathers, stands but as the negative side of our Catholicity. "Protestant" meant then, as we make it mean now, "Catholic" against that which was uncatholic.

There were giants in old England in those days—would that our young Priests could wear their armor—and their weighty artillery has driven Rome out of her old intrenchments, and compelled her to find refuge in the new position of "Development"—a position opened for them by Newman and Manning, who are now feathering the darts aimed at the breast of their once dear Mother, the Church in England.

No; this must be first settled before I, for one, am willing to argue seriously the question of a change of name, viz.: that there is meant no step backward from the principles of "The Reformation."

And, again, there should be no change attempted until the mind and heart of the Church is prepared and educated for the change. This is, supremely, a family matter—a matter not to be carried by a triumphant majority over a reluctant minority. Incalculable evil and loss would surely follow from such a victory. It is a matter to be discussed in our congregations, in our Diocesan Councils, and at our firesides. Dioceses must speak in General Council on all matters of such moment. There are questions of

a prudential character which we do well to leave to our Deputies, but questions which concern the Book of Common Prayer and the change of name, are matters of family concern, and the family must insist on its right to be heard and represented.

Another serious difficulty has arisen in connection with this whole matter—the selection of a name, in the event of a change. Many names have been proposed, but so far without general acceptance. It strikes me as eminently proper, desirable and essential, that some agreement should be reached as to a proper name in the event of any change. It would be lamentable to do what was proposed in the last General Convention, viz: to drop a name without having made suitable provision for another. As yet no proposed name, as I before said, has received general acceptance.

I have pondered this whole matter for many years, in view of the possibility of coming to some general agreement. I have asked what should the name be, and what should be its characteristics? Obviously, it should be "Descriptive," setting forth unmistakably its character. Then, again, it should be "Distinctive," so as clearly to distinguish it from other religious bodies. Then it should not be "Denominational," for this is the special infelicity of the present name. Pre-eminently it should be "Catholic," in order that the Title should harmonize with the faith rehearsed in the Creed.

In view of all these needful characteristics, I venture to suggest a name, which I would be willing to advocate (provided all the conditions hereinbefore laid down were fulfilled), viz:

"*The Primitive Catholic Church in the United States of America.*"

Let us look at this Title briefly.

First. It is perfectly *Descriptive.* This church represents in Doctrine, Liturgy, and Order, The Primitive Church. She offers to meet Christendom on the basis of the Primitive Church. Thus it fulfills one condition—*Descriptiveness.*

Second. It is *Distinctive.* No other religious body in this country calls itself by this name.

Third. It is *Catholic,* and particularly so, because holding to the Primitive, from which the so-called Catholic has departed.

And thus, moreover, it should satisfy to the full all those who cleave to the title of "Protestant." There is nothing that so protests against the Tridentine Doctrines and the modern Pronunciamentos of Rome as the teachings of the Primitive Church.

The name "Primitive" affirms positively what the name "Protestant" does negatively—Ancient Catholic Truth—"The Faith once delivered to the saints."

I have never known this name to have been proposed before. It is hardly possible but that it should have been proposed, but if so, it has never come to my knowledge. It seems to me to possess all the proper attributes of a name. It is in itself an Educator. It establishes a nucleus for Chistian Unity. It expresses the truth of the church's position. It prefers a claim to the homage of all from its very name. Should it ever be adopted with general concurrence—and I trust no change will ever be made without such concurrence—then it will be the glorious privilege of this church to declare by name, what is true in fact, that she alone in these United States possess and maintains the Primitive Truth, the Holy Scriptures, the Divinely ordained Sacraments and the Apostolical Ministry.

Here is the available centre of a Christian Unity.

It is an interesting and suggestive fact in this connection that those noble souls on the continent, who are now endeavoring to assert the primitive faith against the new dogmas of the Papal Church, have taken the name of the "Alt-Catholic" Church. A name of precisely the same import and signficance with that of the "Primitive Catholic Church."

We are thus fighting for the same principles and under the same banner—the banner to which victory is pledged in the final conflict.

What a grand and available centre of unity there is in the principles set forth in the "Declaration of the House of Bishops, and adopted October 20th, 1886."

"As inherent parts of this Sacred Deposit" (the Deposit committed by Christ and His Apostles to the Church), "and, therefore, as essential to the restoration of unity among the divided branches of Christendom, we account the following, to wit:

1. The Holy Scriptures of the Old and New Testament as the revealed Word of God.

2. The Nicene Creed as the sufficient statement of the Christian Faith.

3. The Two Sacraments—Baptism and the Supper of the Lord—ministered with unfailing use of Christ's words of Institution and of the elements ordained by Him.

4. The Historic Episcopate locally adopted in the methods of its administration to the varying needs of the nations and peoples called of God into the unity of His Church."

"Furthermore, Deeply grieved by the sad divisions which afflict the Christian Church in our own land, we hereby declare our desire and readiness, so soon as there shall be any authorized response to this Deelaration, to enter into brotherly conference with all or any Christian Bodies seeking the restoration of the organic unity of the Church with a view to the earnest study of the conditions under which so priceless a blessing might happily be brought to pass."

Now, just here, we have something primitive, tangible, historical, and, as I think, unquestionable, which may serve as the basis or nucleus of Christian unity. Should there be any commensurate and appreciative response from Religious Bodies to this Manifesto of Principles and Conditions of Christian Unity, and should there be any real movement towards its practical consummation, then where, I ask, could there be found an appellation for such grouping of Christian men as that of the

"PRIMITIVE CATHOLIC CHURCH."

Inasmuch as all Christendom has flowed from this original Source and Fountain of the Primitive Catholic Church, where can the Branches so effectually and really unite as in the source in which they all had their original rise ——? And what name could be found, so true, so appropriate, and so significant as that of the

"PRIMITIVE CATHOLIC CHURCH."

The "Alt Catholics" of the old world could meet us there and share the common Name; and all they, in this land of ours, who desire to join hands and hearts with us in the restoration of Church Unity, should rejoice to drop their Local and Denominational names and come into the family, and rejoice with us in the Family heritage and title.

But much remains to be done before this Consummation can be hoped for. The disintegrating influences, which caused much of

the existing divisions, must be eliminated—pride of opinion and individual lust of power ("for whence come divisions among you; come they not hence, even from your lusts?")

Above all, if any real movement is now to be made in the direction of organic Christian Unity, there must be not only knowledge, and wisdom to apply that knowledge, but the prevalence of more of that Divine Charity which is the "Bond of Peace, and of all virtues."

God is Love; as we love, we are made like unto God—we draw nearer unto God and unto Christ, who is God manifest. As we are all drawn nearer unto Christ, our Head, our differences narrow, and the nearer we can draw nigh unto Christ, the closer together will we be drawn to each other; just as the intervals between points on the circumference of a circle gradually diminish as they draw nearer their common centre.

Where lies the practical difficulty in the way of accepting the declaration on Christian Unity set forth by our House of Bishops? The essential and inherent parts of the Sacred Deposit given to the church by our Lord are very few, as stated in that Declaration. Surely, all Christians must agree upon the first: "The Holy Scriptures of the Old and New Testament as the Revealed Word of God." We desire no union with any who refuse to accept that declaration.

There will be more difficulty in regard to the second-named essential point of agreement: "The Nicene Creed, as the sufficient statement of the Christian Faith." The advanced and instructed Theologians of all denominations are being more and more drawn to the recognition and acknowledgment of the great principle of unity contained in this statement. They find themselves compelled to distinguish between matters of Faith and matters of opinion. The whole church is being rapidly educated in this direction.

As regards the third-named point: "The two Sacraments, Baptism and the Supper of the Lord, ministered with unfailing use of Christ's words of institution, and of the elements ordained by him," there should be no room for dispute.

The chief practical difficulty will arise upon the fourth and last point set forth: "The Historic Episcopate locally adapted in the methods of its administration to the varying needs of the nations and peoples called of God into the Unity of his church"

"The Historic Episcopate!" Here, at last, the practical difficulty arises on the part of those who have discarded the Episcopate from their Polity. And yet the Episcopate is a historic fact, and to be learned as other historic facts from History. We find it running back through the Ages to Apostolic times. The Canonicity of the Holy Scriptures rests upon no stronger and clearer basis of evidence than does the Episcopate. No fact in history is more clearly proven and satisfactorily established.

The allegation on the part of some that the government founded by the Apostles was Presbyterial in form, and subsequently became Episcopal, is to my mind a thing incredible, and if true, as alleged, only goes to show a strange tendency of the Presbyterial to the Episcopal—a tendency not manifested in our time. See what the theory of an original Presbyterial Polity involves. We behold the Apostolic Church entering that dark and unhistoric night of persecution (when to be a Bishop meant to be a chief martyr) under Apostolic rule. When the Church emerged from that night of darkness into the light of a historic era, we find everywhere Episcopal government. How was this possible upon the theory of an original Presbyterial form of government? Chillingworth (in his Apostolical Institution of Episcopacy demonstrated) says, "When I shall see, therefore, all the fables in the 'Metamorphosis' acted and proven true stories; when I shall see all the Democracies and Aristocracies in the world lie down and sleep, and awake into Monarchies—then will I begin to believe that Presbyterial government, having continued in the Church during the Apostle's times, should presently after (against the Apostle's doctrine and the will of Christ) be whirled about like a scene in a mask, and transformed into Episcopacy."

Wherefore, in view of the unquestionable facts of History, I am justified in saying that the idea of a Primitive, Presbyterial form of Church government, thus suddenly transformed into the Episcopal Form, is utterly baseless in fact and without precedent in human affairs.

The Founders of the Presbyterian Form of Polity—notably Calvin—advocated no such Theory. It is altogether an afterthought among modern controversalists.

And, therefore, I say that the declaration of the House of Bishops, in so far as it relates to the matter of an "Historic Episcopate, is founded in fact and verified by all history.

The declaration of the House of Bishops was not made without much deliberation. Whatever is declared to be fact can be proven to be fact. The Historic Episcopate is a fact of history.

The responses which have up to this time been made to the "Declaration" of the House of Bishops, are few and not calculated to give much encouragement.

We have this consolation however: we have done our duty in making proposals for unity. We have done our full duty in basing our proposals upon vital truths and unquestionable history. With the issue we are not entrusted. "Duties are ours; Events are God's." One thing is very clear—that no unity, other than that which is based upon truth, is becoming Christian men or communities of Christians. "The wisdom, which cometh from above is first pure, then peaceable." Guided by this principle we shall in the end best subserve the interests of peace among men, and lay the foundation of a true and enduring unity among all Christian people. May the Divine Spirit, whose fruits are "love and joy and peace," and without whom nothing is strong and nothing holy, be shed abroad upon all our hearts, and bring all our efforts to this blissful consummation.

Faithfully yours,

RICHARD H. WILMER,
Bishop of the Diocese of Alabama.

Greensboro, Ala., May 11, 1887.

[APPENDIX B.]

Report of the Trustees of the Bishop's Fund.

The Trustees of the Bishop's Fund beg leave to submit the following report:

It appears by the account of the Treasurer that the annual interest on all the securities, including the rent of the Hamner Hall property up to July, 1886, and amounting in the aggregate to $871.50, has been collected and paid over to the Treasurer of the Diocese.

The securities belonging to the Fund are deposited for safe keeping in the vault of the Commercial Bank of Selma.

No change has been made in the investments.

In view of the fact that a clergyman of this Diocese has seen fit to issue what he is pleased to term "A Compendium of the History of the Hamner Hall Property," and to submit an argument to the people of the Diocese to show that the investment in that property by the Trustees of the Bishop's Fund is coupled with a trust to establish a Diocesan Female Seminary, it has been deemed proper on the part of the Trustees to submit in their report a statement of facts showing the circumstances under which this property was purchased and has become a part of the investment belonging to the Bishop's Fund.

It may be admitted that the Right Reverend Bishop Cobbs was the earnest advocate of a Diocesan Female Seminary, to be under the control of the Convention of this Diocese, and pressed his views earnestly upon the Conventions of 1857, 1858, and 1859, and that his efforts were partially successful in obtaining the funds necessary for its establishment, and that the lots now known as "Hamner Hall," were purchased for this purpose. (See Journal of 1857, pp. 23 and 35; 1858, pp. 29, 30, 35, 36; 1859, pp. 16, 19, 40.)

At this latter Convention (1859) a Board of Trustees for the "Proposed Seminary" was elected by the Convention, to whom the control of the Seminary was committed.

No mention of the Seminary is made in the Proceedings of the Convention of 1860, and the good Bishop died in January, 1861, without having seen this "great desire of his episcopate" put into successful operation. It is true that the Rev. Avery Shepherd made a report to the Convention of May, 1861, in which he states that in October, 1860, he had opened his school in a dwelling house rented for the family and boarding school, and an adjoining lot with its buildings for the purposes of the school. This

was before the completion of the main building of Hamner Hall, which was not ready for use until October, 1862. (Journal of 1861, page 39; 1863, page 100.)

No reports of this school were made to the Conventions of 1862, 1864 and 1865, and it seems to have been conducted by Mr. Shepherd during these years as a private school, until September, 1865, when he transferred the rectorship of the school to Prof. H. P. Lefebre, who opened the school in October, 1865. (Journal of 1866, pp. 23 and 24.)

In the report of the Trustees of the Bishop's Fund to the Convention of 1866, it appeared that the Trustees of Hamner Hall had borrowed from the Episcopal Fund $4,968.18 on the 28th day of December, 1863. (Journal of 1866, page 23.)

In 1867 the rector made a verbal report in regard to that institution, and the Finance Committee reported that a part of the investment belonging to the Episcopal Fund consisted in the notes of the Trustees of Hamner Hall. (Journal of 1867, pp. 34 and 36.)

In 1868 the Treasurer of the Bishop's Fund reported that he held among the assets of the Fund two notes of the Trustees of Hamner Hall for $4,968.18. (Journal of 1868, pp. 31 and 32.)

In his address to the Convention of 1869, the Bishop mentions the death of Mr. Lefebre, and deplores his loss as one who had been principally instrumental in establishing the "Parochial School in Montgomery."—(Journal of 1869, page 13.)

It seems that there was no school in 1869. The Trustees of the Bishop's Fund at this Convention reported that nearly $5,000 of the assets consisted in the notes of the Trustees of Hamner Hall, which the Trustees of that Institution had promised to secure by a mortgage on real estate. These notes were respectively for $1,151.60 and $3,816.53, bearing date December 28, 1863, and amounting in the aggregate to $4,968.13.—(Journal of 1869, pp. 26 and 37.)

At the same Convention the Trustees of the Bishop's Fund were required by resolution to collect all the notes and bonds composing the Episcopal Fund which, in their opinion, should be collected.—(Journal of 1869, page 35.)

At the Convention of 1870, Rev. Dr. Horace Stringfellow, rector of St. John's Parish, Montgomery, made the following communication to the Convention:

"The Wardens and Vestry of St. John's Church, Montgomery, respectfully ask the Convention to appoint a committee to inquire whether any better disposition can be made of Hamner Hall property than that now existing, in order to secure the object for which it was originally erected."—(Journal of 1870, page 9.)

This request was granted and referred to a committee consisting of Rev. R. H. Cobbs, Rev. J. H. Ticknor, Rev. F. R. Hanson, Messrs. David Minge, Henry Barnewall and N. H. R. Dawson. On May 12th, the committee made the following report:

"The committee to whom was referred the proposition of St. John's Parish, Montgomery, to compromise and assume the debt due the Bishop's Fund by the Trustees of Hamner Hall, in consideration that the Convention relinquish the right to elect Trustees of Hamner Hall, have had the matter under consideration, and have examined the articles of subscription for the organization of said Hamner Hall School, and the Act of Incorporation by the Legislature of Alabamaa, and find that under the original Articles of Subscription, the Convention had the right to elect Trustees; but under the Act of Incorporation the property was vested in the Trustees, with the right to fill vacancies and keep up their succession, *and it does not now appear that the Convention has any control over the property.*

"The proposition of St. John's Parish, Montgomery, we are informed, is approved by the Trustees, and they have the right, by law, to dispose of the property by sale. It is apparent, however, that the property is dedicated to charitable, educational and religious purposes, and this dedication, your committee thinks, should be kept in view.

"The committee agree that the change would be advantageous to the welfare of the School. *They also concur in thinking the proposal to assume the debt due the Bishop's Fund upon the terms proposed is equitable, and therefore recommend the adoption of the following resolutions:*

"*1. Resolved,* That this Convention, in behalf of the Church at large in this Diocese, consents to and approves of the transfer of the Hamner Hall property to the Rector, Wardens and Vestrymen of St. John's Parish, Montgomery.

"*2. Resolved,* That it is apparent to this Convention that said property has been dedicated to educational and charitable purposes, in conformity with the doctrine, discipline and worship of this Church, and that the Rector, Wardens and Vestrymen of St. John's Parish, Montgomery, should never permit it, or the proceeds thereof, to be diverted from such purposes.

"*3. Resolved,* That the Bishop of this Church, having jurisdiction over the Parish of St. John's, Montgomery, shall have a visitorial power over said property, and the institutions connected therewith.

"*4. Resolved,* That the *Trustees of the Bishop's Fund* are hereby authorized *to receive in payment of the notes now due the said Fund, by the Trustees of said Hamner Hall, the sum of Five Thousand Dollars, with interest payable annually, from the 1st day of May, 1870,* to be secured by *note* payable in five years from said 1st of May, *with mortgage upon the Hamner Hall property, with power of sale in case of failure to pay either the interest annually, or the principal at maturity, on thirty days' public notice.*"

The resolutions as reported were adopted.

The authority given the Trustees of the Bishop's Fund to receive $5,000 in payment of the debt on Hamner Hall, was a large concession, and an abatement of nearly $2,500 of the original debt. This debt consisted of two notes bearing date December 28, 1863, amounting to the sum of

$4,968.13, with interest thereon to the time of settlement, aggregating $7,485.31. It will be seen from this report that under the Act of Incorporation of the Legislature, the property of Hamner Hall was vested in the Trustees, *and that the Convention had ceased to have any control over it*, and by resolution the Convention consented to the transfer of the Hamner Hall property to the Rector, Wardens and Vestrymen of St. John's Parish, Montgomery, and *authorized the Trustees* of the Bishop's Fund to secure this debt *by a mortgage on this property*, with power of sale in case of failure to pay either the interest annually, or the principal at maturity, on thirty days' public notice. From and after this time the Convention of the Diocese ceased to exercise any control over the property, which was vested in St. John's Church, Montgomery.

The second resolution is a mere expression of opinion on the part of the Convention, and as it had no control of the property, was of no binding influence upon the Rector, Wardens and Vestrymen of St. John's Church in the final disposition to be made of this property.

The third resolution is merely declaratory of the law relating to the subject of the visitorial power of the Bishop over all institutions claiming to be Diocesan in character.—(Journal of 1870, pages 16 and 17.)

Soon after that date the property was transferred by the Trustees of Hamner Hall to St. John's Church, and was taken possession of and managed by the Vestry of that Parish to 1879. After this time the Rector of St. John's established a Parochial School at Hamner Hall.—(Journal of 1871, page 56.

It appears from the report of the Trustees of the Bishop's Fund to the Convention of 1871, that the Vestry of St. John's Parish, Montgomery, had complied with the terms of the compromise of the debt due by the Trustees of Hamner Hall, and had given their note for $5,000, bearing date April 11, 1871, payable on the 1st of May, 1875, secured by a mortgage on the Hamner Hall property with power of sale in case of default in the payment of the annual interest, or of the principal at maturity. (Journal of 1871, page 79.)

It appears from the report of the Trustees of the Bishop's Fund to the Convention of 1872, that the interest on the note on Hamner Hall had been paid. (Journal of 1872, page 65.)

At the Convention of 1873 the Bishop, in his Address, whilst dwelling upon the subject of the Extension of the Church, called the attention of the Convention to another matter of general interest, and said:

"Hamner Hall—which was *recently deeded by the Convention to St. John's Church*—will, in the ensuing Fall, become a boy's instead of a girl's school. Many years experience has shown that the distance of the Hall from the centre of the city renders it an unsuitable location for a girl's school. At the same time, its distance from the heart of the city points it out as the very place for a boy's school. Arrangements have already been consummated by which the Hall will be opened next October.

"Francis Key Meade, of Virginia, has been selected as Principal of the

School. He will bring with him an able corps of coadjutors, and the whole establishment will be under the pastoral care of the Rector of St. John's. The school for girls will be transferred from the Hill to the heart of the city. I hope that our Clergy and Laity will do all in their power to sustain this Institution. Unusual pains have been taken to make this School one of the highest grade in all respects. I look to it as an important centre of education, and one of the feeders of the University of the South." (Journal of 1873, page 38.)

The Rector, in his report, states that Hamner Hall will be opened October 1st, as a school for boys, under the charge of Mr. Meade, and that the school for girls will be removed to the city limits. (Journal of 1873, page 54.)

The Trustees of the Bishop's Fund report payment of the interest on the note of St. John's Church, Montgomery. (Journal of 1873, page 70.)

At the Convention of 1874, no mention was made of these schools, but the Trustees of the Bishop's Fund report default in the payment of interest on the note of St. John's Church, and proposed to extend it until the 1st of May, 1875, with the addition of interest thereon. (Journal of 1874, page 61.)

At the Convention of 1875, it appears from the report of the Trustees that St. John's Church had not paid the interest on this note. (Journal of 1875, page 50.)

At the Convention of 1876, a communication from St. John's Parish was presented and read, and referred to the Committee on Finance. It does not appear from the proceedings what the nature of this communication was, but on the next day the Chairman of the Committee on Finance made the following report:

"The proposition of St. John's Parish, Montgomery, in reference to the disposition of the Hamner Hall property, now under mortgage to the Bishop's Fund, having been referred to the Committee on Finance, and by them considered; I am instructed by the Committee to report the following resolution to the Convention, and recommend its adoption:

"*Resolved*, That the Trustees of the Bishop's Fund be instructed to foreclose the mortgage now existing upon the Hamner Hall property, and sell the same, or so much thereof as may be necessary to discharge the debt now due by said property to said Fund, together with expenses of sale; provided, however, that no lower bid for the purchase of said property shall be considered than the amount of the debt aforesaid." (Journal of 1876, page 16.)

On the next day the Trustees of the Bishop's Fund were instructed by resolution not to foreclose the mortgage on the Hamner Hall property until after the meeting of the next Convention.—(Journal of 1876, page 17.)

At the Convention of 1877, the Special Committee to whom the report of the Trustees of the Bishop's Fund was referred, seem to have over-

looked the adoption by the Convention of the resolution of May 13, 1876, postponing the sale of the Hamner Hall property, and reported as follows:

"With regard to the Hamner Hall property, the Committee would call attention to the resolutions adopted by the last Convention in relation thereto. For reasons unexplained in their report, the Trustees do not appear to have taken any action on the subject. The Committee have no further suggestions to offer in reference to this property, believing that prompt action under the resolutions of the last Convention would furnish the best solution of the question."

This report was received and concurred in, but on motion the Trustees of the Bishop's Fund were again instructed not to foreclose the mortgage on the Hamner Hall property until after the meeting of the next Convention.—(Journal of 1877, pages 22 and 23.)

At the same Convention a Committee of three was appointed to inquire into the condition of the Hamner Hall property, and to ascertain the legal rights of the respective parties in interest, and to report the result of this investigation at the next Convention. Messrs. F. B. Clark, James Bond and P. T. Sayre were appointed on this Committee.—(Journal of 1877, page 24.)

At the Convention of 1878, this last mentioned Committee presented the following report:

"The Committee appointed at the last Convention to inquire into the condition of the Hamner Hall property, and to ascertain the legal rights of the respective parties in interest, and to report the result of their investigations to this Convention, do now respectfully report:

I. As to the condition of said property.—The buildings are in good order and repair, and are well adapted for school purposes. The lot is beautifully situated and eligibly located for its purposes. Owing to the long continued depression of business, it is not practicable to carry on the school without pecuniary loss at this time. There is no income at present from the property.

The lot of land is large, and in future may, by sub-dividing, be used as the location for other charitable, educational or religious institutions. The Committee deem it valuable property, and capable of great usefulness in the future.

II. As to the legal rights of the respective parties.—1. The Committee find that the property was purchased and built upon originally by means raised by subscription among members of this church, for charitable and educational purposes, but chiefly with a view of forming a Diocesan Academy for young ladies. By the terms of the original subscription, the right to elect the Trustees for the management of the funds and property was vested in the Diocesan Convention, but *subsequently*, and with *the tacit consent of the Convention*, the Trustees became incorporated by an Act of the Legislature of the State, whereby *the property was vested in a Board of Trustees*, with the right to fill vacancies and to keep up succession. *The Convention thereafter exercised no control over the property.*

Being unable to carry on the school with success, the Trustees, in 1870, proposed to dispose of the property to St. John's Parish, Montgomery, which at that time, with high hopes, undertook to carry on a school. The Convention of 1870 (see printed Journal, pages 16 and 17,) while disclaiming the right to control the Trustees, approved the transfer to St. John's Parish, Montgomery, but took occasion decidedly to express its convictions that the property had been dedicated to educational and charitable purposes, and that it should never be diverted by the Parish from such objects. St. John's Parish now holds it by transfer from the Trustees. Your Committee do not clearly perceive the legal effect of the transfer of the property to St. John's Parish. They are inclined to the opinion that the transfer to St. John's Parish could have no other effect than to operate as the substitution of the Vestry of that Parish as Trustees and Managers, and that the dedication for educational and charitable purposes followed the property into the hands of the Parish authorities.

2. Your Committee further finds that the *original Trustees borrowed money from the Trustees of the Bishop's Fund to enable them to complete their undertaking.* The details of the original loan the Committee have not the means of accurately ascertaining; but in 1870 the Convention (see printed Journal, pages 16 and 17) in consenting to the transfer of the property to St. John's Parish, then agreed to reduce the debt to $5,000, and to take the note of said Vestry for that sum, payable at five years from May 1st, 1870, with interest, to be paid annually on the first of May, in each year, and secured by mortgage on the property, with power to sell on failure to pay either the annual interest or the principal at its maturity. The Trustees of the Bishop's Fund hold this mortgage. On this loan there is now due, principal $5,000, and accrued interest $1,600; total $6,600.

It appears, therefore, that the legal rights of the respective parties in interest are (a) That St. John's Parish holds the Hamner Hall property in trust for charitable and educational purposes, according to the original dedication; (b) *subject, however, to the mortgage to the Trustees of the Bishop's Fund, as above stated, to the amount at present of $6,600.* (c) Should a sale take place on foreclosure of the mortgage, the surplus over and above the mortgage debt would constitute a Trust Fund in the hands of the Vestry of St. John's Parish, to be appropriated as nearly as possible according to the original purpose and intention of the donors of the Fund.

The Committee are not required by the Resolution of the last Convention to make any recommendation for future action; and, in the absence of any representatives from St. John's Parish, Montgomery, submit the result of their investigations, as now presented, that the Convention, being advised of the facts, may take such action as may be deemed advisable." (Journal of 1878, pages 13 and 14.)

On a subsequent day of the Convention, this report was taken up, and the following resolution adopted:

"*Resolved*, That the Trustees of the Bishop's Fund be, and they are hereby, requested to take early steps for the enforcement of the lien on the Hamner Hall property, of Montgomery, made to secure to the Bishop's Fund the payment of a loan of $5,000 out of that Fund, with the interest thereon—and that said Trustees of the Bishop's Fund in the adjustment of any matter connected with said loan, be authorized to allow further time for the payment of the same, or to make any arrangement in their discretion which will secure the punctual payment of interest and the final payment of principal." (Journal of 1878, page 22.)

At the Convention of 1879, the following resolution was adopted:

"*Resolved*, That a Committee be appointed to consult with the Rector and Delegation of St. John's Church, Montgomery, in reference to the settlement of the mortgage held by the Trustees of the Bishop's Fund, with accrued interest, upon Hamner Hall, and report as early as possible to this Convention."

Rev. R. H. Cobbs, Rev. S. U. Smith, A. Benners, H. D. Clayton, and James Bond, were appointed said Committee. (Journal of 1879, page 12.)

On a subsequent day this Committee reported as follows:

"The Committee to which was referred the Resolution in regard to the settlement of the debt due to the Trustees of the Bishop's Fund by the Parish of St. John's, Montgomery, secured by mortgage on Hamner Hall property, having carefully considered the subject, do report as follows:

"In the opinion of the Committee, no steps should be taken to compel St. John's Parish to satisfy said indebtedness, which will result in placing the Hamner Hall property, or any part of it, out of the control of the Parish or of the Diocese, or which will permanently divert it from the purpose for which it was originally intended, namely: a Female School under the control of the Church.

"The Rector and Vestry of the Parish have offered to convey the whole property to the Trustees of the Bishop's Fund in satisfaction of the mortgage debt, with the reservation of the use and control of that portion known as the Bishop Cobbs Orphan Home, until such time as the Diocese may desire to utilize the same as a home for the Bishop of the Diocese.

Your Committee, therefore, recommend the adoption of the following resolutions:

1. *Resolved*, That the Trustees of the Bishop's Fund be, and are hereby, authorized to accept at once, from the Vestry of St. John's Parish, *a conveyance with warranty, of the entire Hamner Hall property, including the Bishop Cobbs Orphan Home, lot and building*, in satisfaction of the mortgage debt and accrued interest; Provided, that St. John's Parish shall retain the control and use of that portion known as the Bishop Cobbs Orphan Home for any Church purpose, and to preserve and keep the same in good order and condition, and insured, until such time as the Diocese shall desire to utilize the same as a home for the present or future Bishop of the Diocese; and such reservation of the use of said property, and agreement to surrender such possession to the Trustees for a Bishop's

Home shall be reduced to writing and signed by such Vestry and deposited with said Trustees.

2. *Resolved*, That in case the said Trustees shall consummate the arrangement contemplated in the foregoing resolution, it is recommended said property be leased for any reasonable term of years for a Female School, under the supervision of the Church—care being had, first, to the character and usefulness of the school, and, secondly, the preservation of the property.

3. *Resolved*, That in case the foregoing arrangement for final settlement fail of accomplishment for any reason deemed sufficient by the Trustees of the Bishop's Fund and not apparent to this Convention, then said Trustees are hereby recommended to consent to a lease by St. John's Parish for a term of years for a Church School, upon such terms as will secure interest on the mortgage debt, if practicable.

4. *Resolved*, That if, for any cause such as above mentioned, the final settlement should fail, and there should be no lease made under the second Resolution, then all measures for foreclosure and sale of said property be postponed until further direction by the Convention of this Diocese, and if necessary to prevent a sale, by St. John's Parish, the said Trustees are hereby authorized to suspend the interest from this date on the debt for such time as they may deem reasonable. (Journal of 1879, pages 23 and 24.)

A substitute for this report and these resolutions was offered proposing to leave the property in the hands of St. John's Parish, Montgomery, with power to lease for a term of years for the *purpose of establishing a Female Seminary.*

This substitute was lost, and on motion, the report as presented by the Committee, was received and concurred in, and the resolutions adopted. (Journal of 1879, page 24.)

At the Convention of 1880, the Trustees of the Bishop's Fund, in their report, say:

"In accordance with the resolutions of the last Convention (Journal of 1879, pages 23 and 24), on the 24th of May, 1879, the Trustees accepted in full satisfaction of the debt due by the Vestry of St. John's Parish, Montgomery, a conveyance with warranty, of the Hamner Hall property, including Bishop Cobbs' Orphan Home.

"The debt amounted at that time to the sum of $7,000—principal $5,000 and accrued interest $2,000. This conveyance was duly recorded in the Probate Office of Montgomery county."

The original debt with interest thereon from December 28, 1863, would have amounted to $11,094.75. *The conveyance made to the Trustees of the Bishop's Fund is a strict foreclosure of the mortgage.* (Journal of 1880, page 16.)

At this Convention a report was made by the Trustees and by the Bishop, that the Hamner Hall property had been leased to the Rev. Dr. Everhart for the establishment of a female school.

This lease was made by direction of the Bishop, under the resolutions of the Convention, for the term of five years, at an annual rental of $560, and at its expiration the lease was renewed upon the same terms. Nearly all of the income since the possession of the property by the present lessee has been expended in repairs and improvements. In addition to this, the property has been insured. The result has been that this valuable property, until within the last year, has been an expense to the Bishop's Fund, while it has been maintained as a flourishing and prosperous private school for the education of young ladies. The question whether the Bishop's Fund should be made to contribute to the maintenance of a Female Seminary, however desirable such an institution is, deserves the consideration of the Convention.

The Bishop's Fund was raised by the generous contributions of churchmen of the Diocese, for the specific purpose of supporting the Episcopate without resorting to an annual assessment upon the Parishes. It is a corporation, having for its purpose the preservation of this Fund, and its faithful administration. Can the Convention, legally or properly, divert this Fund from its original purpose to another and a different purpose, without a violation of good faith, and without doing injustice to the intention of the original founders?

This is the question which we submit to the Convention with the conviction that it will receive the careful consideration which it deserves, and we leave its decision to your judgment as men and churchmen. The examination of the Journals of the Conventions from 1857 up to the present time, which we have made, discloses the facts connected with the acquisition of the Hamner Hall property. The proposition to sell the property came from the Vestry of St. John's Parish, and was accepted reluctantly by the Trustees of the Bishop's Fund, after the matter had been thoroughly investigated by the Convention, and authority had been given them to accept it in settlement of the debt.

The Convention did not require the Vestry of St. John's Parish to make this settlement. It had no power of this character, and assumed none in the transaction. At the time of this settlement, it was very much desired by the Vestry of St. John's, and it was not considered desirable by the Trustees to make this investment, and it was only made because it was apparently the only feasible arrangement left open to secure the debt The Vestry of St. John's Parish was anxious to pay its debt by a sale of property, which was not considered at that time more than equivalent to the amount due upon the debt. This was regarded by them as "a consummation devoutly to be wished." The maintenance of a school at that point for young ladies and for boys had not been a success, as all the facts will show.

Now that certain conditions exist, which were not anticipated, and this property has become very valuable, persons who were not privy to the transaction seem disposed to re-open it and inaugurate a discussion which

will certainly not tend to the peace and harmony of this Convention. The purpose of this Convention is to wrest this property from the possession of its present owners, thus subverting the design of the original founders and destroying at one single blow, the morals and good faith of the Convention to this noble charity—the Bishop's Fund.

The proposition of the author of the Compendium is:

First—That no part of this property can be devoted to the support of the Episcopate, other than the amount of the principal and interest of the debt of St. John's Parish to the Bishop's Fund. This is based upon the idea that the sale to the Trustees by the Vestry of St. John's was unauthorized, and because the mortgage was not foreclosed. The power of the Vestry to make the sale was fully considered by the Committee of lawyers to whom the proposition was referred, and decided affirmatively by them at the Convention of 1878 (Journal of 1878, page 32), and while the mortgage was not foreclosed by a public sale, it was foreclosed by *a strict foreclosure, having all the legal effects and incidents of a procedure by a public sale under the power in the mortgage.*

The power of the Vestry of St. John's Parish to convey the legal title cannot now be questioned, and will not be entertained by this Convention after its solemn approval of the sale. If done, it must be the work of another and a different forum.

Second—The next branch of the proposition is that the property, after the St. John's debt shall have been paid, is a trust for the benefit of a Female Seminary, and he proposes that this property, which he estimates at the value of $200,000, should be devoted to this purpose, with a nominal fee for tuition, and assistance to the Diocesan Clergy in the education of their daughters.

The policy of the Church undertaking to found and maintain a Diocesan school will be doubted while the examples of Monticello and Burlington remain so fresh in our memories. All who have had much experience in such schools are familiar with the fact that while tuition may be free, the other features of these schools require an expenditure not often within the reach of persons of moderate means.

These are the propositions you are invited to discuss, and in order to obtain these ends, you are requested to spoliate and destroy a sacred trust that has been committed to the safe keeping of this Convention.

Will you do it? The recital of the facts in the case negatives your power, and we trust that the mere statement of them is all that is necessary in order to defeat the proposition.

We have been led to discuss this matter at greater length than we had intended, but the importance of the subject has rendered it necessary, in our opinion, to present the facts so fully that they cannot fail to be understood, and in order that they may be placed upon the Journal of the Convention.

From a sense of duty, as the chosen guardians of this property, we

have brought all the facts attending its acquisition to your notice, and we now leave the matter to the arbitrament of this high tribunal, feeling assured that you will not heed the invitation to "remove the ancient landmarks which thy fathers have set," and disturb a transaction that has been so solemnly entered into by the parties, and which has received the deliberate approval and sanction of the Conventions of this Diocese. "And all the people shall say, Amen!"

Respectfully submitted.

N. H. R. DAWSON,
J. H. FITTS.

[APPENDIX C.]

Diocesan Treasurer's Account.

WILLIAM BARNEWALL, *Treasurer,*
In Account with the DIOCESE OF AL.

1886.
May—By Amount balance due 1885, 1886.....$
1887.
May—By Am't Assessment collected 1886-87:

St. Timothy, Athens.....	$ 15 00	
Grace Church, Anniston.....	100 00	
Christ Church, Mobile.....	625 00	
Church of the Advent, Birmingham	250 00	
Church of the Holy Cross, Uniontown....	50 00	
Church of the Nativity, Huntsville.....	300 00	
Grace Church, Trinity, Ala.....	10 00	
St. Mark's Parish, Troy.....	10 00	
Christ Church, Cross Plains.....	10 00	
St. Andrew's Parish, Macon, on account..	53 00	
St. Alban's Parish, Brown Station.....	5 00	
St. Luke's Parish, Jacksonville.....	20 00	
St. John's Parish, Mobile.....	125 00	
St. John's Parish, Tuscumbia.....	15 00	
St. Paul's Parish, Carlowville.....	25 00	
St. Paul's Parish, Decatur.....	25 00	
St. Paul's Parish, Greensboro.....	150 00	
St. Paul's Parish, Selma.....	350 00	
St. Paul's Parish, Whistler.....	5 00	
St. Paul's Parish, Spring Hill.....	5 00	
St. Stephen's Parish, Eutaw.....	50 00	
St. Peter's Parish, Talladega.....	20 00	
St. Wilfrid's Parish, Marion.....	45 00	
St. Luke's Parish, Scottsboro.....	15 00	
Trinity Parish Mobile.....	300 00	
Montevallo Mission, Montevallo.....	10 00	
'85-86—Union Springs Parish, Union Spri'gs, $13		
'86-87—Union Springs Parish, Union Spri'gs, $10	23 00	
Brierfield Mission, Brierfield.....	15 00	
St. John's Parish, Forkland, on account...	24 00	
St. John's Parish, Montgomery.....	650 00	
Christ Church Parish, Tuscaloosa.....	125 00	
Grace Church Parish, Dallas.....	10 00	
St. James' Parish, Livingston, on account.	32 10	
St. Mark's Parish, Fork of Green.....	20 00	
St. Paul's Parish, Lowndesboro.....	15 00	
St. Thomas' Parish, Gainesville.....	30 00	
St. Mark's Parish, Prattville.....	10 00	
St. Paul's Parish, Eufaula.....	50 00	
Am't rec'd from N. H. R. Dawson, Bishop's Fund.....	871 50	
Trinity Parish, Demopolis.....	100 00	
St. Andrew's, Macon.....	45 00	
Trinity Parish, Florence.....	15 00	—$4
		$4

DISBURSEMENT.

1886.			
May 21—To Am't paid Rev. R. H. Cobb, D. D., Sec'y of the Convention	100 00		
" " paid Sexton, Anniston	10 00		
" " " Wm. Barnewall, Treasurer	50 00		
" " " Metzinger, 600 Paroch'l Rep's	19 25		
" " " 500 Journal of Convention, ac't as per Bill	186 45		
" " " General Convention	93 00		
" " " New York Life Ins. Co., half prem. Life Policy R. H. Wilmer	122 50		
" " " Rt. Rev. R. H. Wilmer, Bal. Salary due '85–86, $271 35, on account of Salary 1886 '87, $3,726.05	3,997 40	—$4,578 60	
Balance Cash on hand 1886–87		$ 205 00	

WM. BARNEWALL,
Greensboro, 11th May, 1887. *Treasurer Diocese of Alabama.*

PARISHES IN ARREARS, 1886–'87.

Hamner Hall, Montgomery	$ 10 00
Calvary Church, Pushmataha	5 00
Emmanuel Church, Opelika	5 00
St. Mark's Church, Troy	5 00
Gadsden Mission, 1884–'85, 1885–'86, 1886–'87	30 00
Grace Church, Clayton	20 00
St. Andrew's, Macon, balance	9 50
St. David's, Dallas,	5 00
St. Andrew's, Hayneville	15 00
St. John's, Forkland	7 50
St. Mark's, Prattville	10 00
St. Mary's, Evergreen	15 00
St. Matthew's, Autaugaville	5 00
St. Michael's, Marengo, 1884–'85, 1885–'86, 1886–'87	125 00
St. Mary's, Camden	5 00
	$272 00

I would recommend the following arrears to be remitted:

St. David's, Dallas	$ 5 00	(Remitted)
Gadsden Mission	30 00	"
St. Andrew's, Macon, balance	9 50	"
St. John's, Forkland, balance	7 50	"
St. Michael's, Marengo	125 00	
Hamner Hall	10 00	
		$187 00

WM. BARNEWALL,
Greensboro, May 11, 1887. *Treas'r Diocese of Alabama.*

[APPENDIX D.]

N. H. R. Dawson, Treas'r, in Acct. with Bishop's Fund.

1886.	*DEBITS.*	
July 1	To Semi-annual Interest on Bonds	$ 246 00
July 8	To Rent of Hamner Hall, Rev. G. M. Everhart	560 00
Dec. 30	To Semi-annual Interest on State Bonds	328 00
	Total	$1,134 00

1886.	*CREDITS.*	
July 8	By Cash paid for Insurance on Hamner Hall, 5 yrs.	$ 262 50
July 12	By Cash paid Wm. Barnewall, Treas'r of Diocese	500 00
Dec. 30	By Cash paid Wm. Barnewall, Treas'r of Diocese	371 50
	Total	$1,134 00

N. H. R. DAWSON,
Selma, Ala., Jan. 11, 1887. *Treasurer.*

[APPENDIX E.]

Account of Treasurer Diocesan Mission Fund.

ROBT. MIDDLETON, *Treasurer,*
In Account Current with DIOCESAN MISSION FUND.

1886.	*DR.*	
To Balance on hand as per last report		$ 62 14
	Church of Advent, Birmingham	238 72
	Trinity Church, Florence	2 40
	St. Wilfrid's, Marion	30 95
	St. Paul's, Greensboro	121 35
	St. Paul's, Selma	150 00
	St. Stephen's, Eutaw	16 00
	St. Michael's, Marengo	7 65
	Church of the Holy Cross, Uniontown	13 30
	St. John's, Montgomery	425 40
	St. Thomas', Greenville	20 00
	Martin's Station—McQueen's receipt	28 75
	St. Paul's Church, Carlowville	20 00
	Christ Church, Mobile, since February	146 80
	Trinity, Mobile	73 20
	St. Andrew's, Macon	10 00
	Grace Church, Anniston	159 91
	Trinity, Demopolis	25 00
	Borrow and Loan—Bor. of "Church Home"	425 00
	Christ Church, Tuskaloosa	200 00
		$2,176 57

1886. *CR.*

	Voucher No.			
By Remittance J. F. Smith.....	1	..Aug.....$ 25 00		
	1	..Sept..... 50 00		
	1	..Nov 75 00		
	1	..March .. 50 00		
	1	..April ... 25 00—	$	225 00
By Remittance DeB. Waddell.....	2	..Sept 100 00		
	2	..Nov 100 00		
	2	..March .. 75 00		
	2	..April.... 25 00—		300 00
By Remittance F. B. Lee.....	3	..Sept 50 00		
	3	..Dec..... 50 00		
	3	..March .. 50 00—		150 00
By Remittance S. McQueen.....	4	..Sept 75 00		
	4	..Dec. 93 75		
	4	Mar.& Apl. 75 00—		243 75
By Remittance W. T. Allen	5	..Sept..... 25 00		
	5	..Dec. 25 00		
	5	..March .. 25 00—		75 00
By Remittance G. R. Upton	6	..Sept..... 25 00		
	6	..Dec. 25 00		
	6	..March .. 25 00—		75 00
By Remittance B. F. Mower.....	7	..Sept 25 00		
	7	..* 12 50		
	7	..* 37 50		
	7	..March... 37 50—		112 50
By Remittance Percy Gordon..... ..	8	..Sept 50 00		
	8	..Dec..... 50 00		
	8	..April ... 50 00—		150 00
By Remittance Mr. Kimball	9	.....		50 00
By Borrow and Loan Returned Church Home—				
Borrowed last year.....				100 00
Returned Church Home—borrowed in September...				425 00
Discount on Exchange $1 77				
Postage ..... 76—				2 53
By Balance Cash in Bank				267 79
				$ 2,176 57

R. MIDDLETON, *Treasurer.*

[APPENDIX F.]

Proceedings of the Society for the Relief of Disabled Clergymen, and the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen.

GREENSBORO, ALA., May 14, 1887.

The Society was called to order by the Rt. Rev. President, and the roll being called, the following members were found to be present:

RT. REV. R. H. WILMER, D. D.

Rev. W. T. Allen,	Rev. J. M. Banister, D. D.,
" R. W. Barnwell,	" T. J. Beard,
" O. R. Bourne,	" R. H. Cobbs, D. D.,
" Geo. M. Everhart, D. D.,	" P. A. Fitts,
" Percy Gordon,	" J. A. Harrison, D. D,
" J. S. Johnson,	" F. B. Lee,

Messrs. R. M. Nelson and C. E. Waller.

A quorum was found to be present.

The following report was presented and read:

ANNISTON, May 22, 1886.

The Executive Committee of the Society for the Relief of Disabled Clergymen and of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen, was called to Order by the President, and a quorum found to be present. They instructed the Treasurer to send Mrs. Ticknor the sum of fifty dollars, Mrs. Porter the sum of twenty-five dollars, and Rev. F. B. Lee the sum of one hundred dollars.

On motion, it was

Resolved, That the investment of the funds arising from the Georgia Bonds maturing in July, 1886, be left to the discretion of the Chairman and Treasurer. R. H. COBBS.

On motion, this report was received and concurred in.

The Treasurer presented his report, which was referred to a Committee consisting of Rev. T. J. Beard, Rev. J. S. Johnson and Mr. C. E. Waller.

This Committee reported that the Treasurer's accounts were correct, and this report was, on motion, received and concurred in.

Mr. R. M. Nelson was elected Treasurer, and Rev. R. H. Cobbs, Secretary.

Rev. R. W. Barnwell and Mr. C. E. Waller were elected members of the Executive committee.

On motion, the Society adjourned *sine die*.

RICH'D H. WILMER, *President*.

R. H. COBBS, *Secretary*.

R. M. NELSON, *Treasurer, in Account with*
THE SOCIETY FOR RELIEF OF DISABLED CLERGYMEV, AND THE WIDOWS AND ORPHANS OF DECEASED CLERGYMEN.

1886. RECEIPTS.

May 18—To balance on hand from statement made this day	$	748 28
Collection Grace Church, Anniston		32 45
J. D. Allison, Jr., Carlowville, for self		2 50
W. A. Bibb, annual dues, 1886		5 00
Rev. DeB. Waddell		3 00
Rev. J. F. Smith, for his Missions		20 00
Mr. Upton, St. Thomas, Greenville		2 00
St. Paul's Whistler		5 00
St. Paul's, Carlowville		16 15
Church of the Nativity, Huntsville		5 00
D. G. Dunklin, annual dues		5 00
C. E. Waller, annual dues		5 00
W. W. Screws, annual dues		5 00
St. Wilfrid's, Marion		5 00
F. M. Dansby, through Rev. R. H. Cobbs		5 00
Proceeds three Georgia Bonds, paid		3,000 00
Interest on $3,000 Georgia Bonds for one-half year.		105 00
St. Stephens', Eutaw		5 00
St. Paul's, Greensboro		5 00
St. Andrew's, Macon		3 00
F. M. Dansby, annual dues		10 00
Trinity Church, Demopolis		22 30
B. F. Mower, Trinity, Florence		6 25
Church Advent, Birmingham		46 16
Christ Church, Tuscaloosa		10 00
St. Paul's, Selma		13 80
Church of the Holy Cross, Uniontown		13 00
Church of the Nativity, Huntsville		22 70
St. James', Eufaula		10 00
St. John's, Mobile		5 00
Trinity, Mobile		12 15
Grand Bay		1 00
Half Interest on $12,000, Class A Bonds, 3 per cent.		180 00
Semi-annual Interest on $12,500 Class A Bonds, 4%		250 00
Annual Interest on $500 6% Alabama Bonds		30 00
Semi-annual Interest on $3,000 Alabama 6% Bonds		90 00
		$4,704 74

1886. *DISBURSEMENTS.*

May 23—By Cash to Rev. F. B. Lee, (By order of Executive Committee)	$	100 00
Mrs. J. H. Ticknor, (By order of Executive Committee)		50 00
Mrs. Porter (By order of Executive Committee)		25 00
Expressage on Bonds ($3,500)		4 40
For $3,500 of Alabama Bonds		3,750 00
		$3,929 40
Balance in hands of Treasurer	$	775 34

ASSETS.

10 Ala. Class A Registered Bonds, $1,000 each, Nos. 437, 438, 439, 440, 441, 442, 443, 517, 518 and 519	$10,000 00
1 Ala. Class A Coupon Bond, No. 3,828	1,000 00
3 Ala. Class A Coupon Bonds, Nos. 6,238, 6,318 and 6,674, each $500	1,500 00
7 Ala. 6% Bonds, Nos. 101, 102, 107, 257, 733, 1,454, 1,753, each $500	3,500 00
Total par value	$16,000 00
Total market value, about	17,500 00

Rectors, Wardens, Etc., of the Various Churches and their Post-Offices.

POST-OFFICES.	PARISH.	RECTOR	WARDENS	TREASURER	CLERK
1 Anniston	Grace Church	P. A. Fitts	I. W. Noble, A. L. Tyler	I. B. Rees	
2 Birmingham	Church of the Advent	T. J. Beard	Charles Wheelock, W. J. Milner	N. C. Royster	E. A. Glover.
3 Carlowville	St. Paul's	F. B. Lee	J. D. Alison, W. A. Bibb	W. A. Bibb	W. A. Bibb.
4 Dallas Co	Grace Church	F. B. Lee	J. B. Lang, T. O. Boykin		
5 Decatur	St. Paul's	Percy Gordon	J. H. Gray, W. W. Kronn	J. H. Gray	
6 Demopolis	Trinity	J. A. Harrison	E. H. C. Bailey, I. R. Robertson	D. F. Prout	D. F. Prout.
7 Eutaw	St. Stephen's	S. U. Smith	J. B. Head, B. B. Barnes	B. B. Barnes	
8 Florence	Trinity	B. F. Mower	R. L. Bliss, H. B. Lee	R. Bliss	H. B. Lee.
9 Forkland	St. John's	John A. Harrison		W. N. Glover	
10 Fork of Greene	St. Mark's	W. T. Allen	J. McKee Gould, R. F. Bird	J. McKee Gould	H. T. Bouchelle.
11 Greensboro	St. Paul's	R. H. Cobbs	C. L. Stickney, A. S. Jeffries	C. E. Waller	V. G. Snedecor.
12 Jacksonville	St. Luke's	J. F. Smith	P. Rowan, W. H. Dean		
13 Livingston	St. James'	W. T. Allen	W. R. DeLoach	N. F. Randall	
14 Macon	St. Andrew's	R. H. Cobbs	H. A. Tayloe	R. H. Dugger	
15 Marion	St. Wilfrid's	S. McQueen	James Gregory, R. H. Evins	L. S. Jones	E. B. Thompson.
16 Mobile	Christ Church	J. L. Tucker	Daniel McNeill, H. A. Schroeder	R. Middleton	R. Middleton.
17 Mobile	Trinity Church	J. S. Johnston	H. T. Toulmin, F. J. McCoy	G. B. Cleveland	G. B. Cleveland.
18 Mobile	St. John's Church	G. C. Tucker	Dan Harris, W. J. McCowan	W. H. Leslie	Frederick Graves.
19 Mobile	Good Shepherd Church	A. W. Pierce		Rev. J. L. Tucker	
20 Selma	St. Paul's	R. W. Barnwell	N. H. R. Dawson, Wm. Berg	Geo. A. Wilkins	Edward P. Galt.
21 Scottsboro	St. Luke's	Percy Gordon	W. H. Payne, John Snodgrass	W. H. Payne	
22 Talladega	St. Peter's	I. F. Smith	R. Nickles, J. S. Slaughter	Frank Gerrish	Frank Gerrish.
22 Tuskaloosa	Christ Church	J. H. Stringfellow	J. H. Fitts, Alonzo Hill	W. A. Cochrane	W. A. Cochrane.
23 Uniontown	Church of Holy Cross	W. A. Stickney	Edwin Schield		Edwin Shield.
24 Brown's Station	St. Alban's	W. A. Stickney	C. R. Gwin, Thos. H. Lewis		A. P. Leiser.

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Visits.				Confirmations.										
Official Visits to Parishioners, with Service.	Unofficial Visits to the Sick or Troubled without Service.	Ordinary Parochial Calls.	Total of all Ministerial Offices.	Number of Visitations.	No. of Public Confirmations.	No. of Private Confirmations.	No. of Persons Confirmed.	Male.	Female.	Adults.	Minors.	White or Native.	No. who are Heads of Families.	No. Received from other Religious Bodies.
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Arrearages.			Restatement of Totals.				
Payment on Debt, Principal.	Arrearage paid to Rector.	Total of Arrearages.	General.	Diocesan.	Parochial.	Arrearages.	Grand Aggregate for the Year to Balance Income.
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Page 3. In *List of Clergy*, the word "Deacon" should be left out after name of R. Obre R. Bourne. "Rev. Horace Stringfellow, D. D.," should be "Venerable Hor. Stringfellow, D. D."

Page 4. In *Standing Committee of the Diocese and Missionary Board*, "Rev. H. Stringfellow, D. D.," should be "Venerable H. Stringfellow, D. D." In *Missionary Board*, "Rev. J. L. Tucker, D. D.," should appear after "Rev. Geo. M. Everhart, D. D."

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ARCHDEACON

Venerable H. Stringfellow, D. D.

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LIST OF CLERGY

Canonically Belonging to the Diocese of Alabama.

RT. REV. RICH'D H. WILMER, D. D. LL. D., Bishop..Mobile.
REV. WM. T. ALLEN, St. James' Church.....Livingston.
" J. M. BANISTER, D. D., Church of the Nativity...Huntsville.
" ROBERT W. BARNWELL, St. Paul's Church.....Selma.
" THOS. J. BEARD, Church of the Advent..... Birmingham.
" OBRE R. BOURNE, (Deacon) St. Paul's Church....Whistler.
" R. H. COBBS, D. D., St. Paul's Church.....Greensboro.
" THOS. A. COOK, —— ——..... .....Alpine, Ga.
" GEO. M. EVERHART, D. D..... .....Montgomery.
" PHILIP A. FITTS, Grace Church.....Anniston.
" PERCY GORDON, St. Paul's Church.....Decatur.
" JOHN J. HARRIS, (Deacon) Assisting Christ Church.Tuskaloosa.
" JOHN A. HARRISON, D. D., Trinity Church.....Demopolis.
" D. F. HOKE, (Deacon), has made no report.
" JOSEPH JAMESON, St. Peter's Church.... ..... Talladega.
" J. L. LANCASTER, Trinity Church.....Mobile.
" F. B. LEE, St. Paul's Church.....Carlowville.
" CHAS. H. LOCKWOOD, Assist. Grace Church.....Anniston.
" B. F. MOWER, Trinity Church.....Florence.
" A. W. PIERCE, Church of the Good Shepherd.....Mobile
" L. W. ROSE, St. Mary's Church.....Birmingham.
" J. F. SMITH, Evangelist..... ... .Talladega.
" ERASTUS W. SPALDING, D. D., St. James' Church.Eufaula.
" W. A. STICKNEY, Ch. of the Holy Cross, Uniontown.Faunsdale.
" HORACE STRINGFELLOW, D. D., St. John's Church.Montgomery.
" JAMES H. STRINGFELLOW, Christ Church.....Tuskaloosa.
" JOSEPH L. TUCKER, D. D., Christ Church .....Mobile.
" GARDINER C. TUCKER, St. John's Church. .....Mobile.
" GEO. R. UPTON, St. Thomas' Church .....Greenville.
" J. A. VANHOOSE, (Deacon) Miss'n'ry at points aro'nd Birmingham.
" DEB. WADDELL, Grace Church.....Sheffield.
" ROBERT J. WALKER, St. Wilfrid's Church.....Marion.

Officers of the Council.

President:
RT. REV. R. H. WILMER, D. D., LL.D.

Secretary:
REV. R. H. COBBS, D. D., Greensboro.

Treasurer of the Diocese:
MR. GEORGE A. WILKINS, Selma.

Treasurer of the Diocesan Missionary Fund:
MR. C. E. WALLER, Greensboro.

Registrar:
MR. T. G. FOSTER, Montgomery.

Chancellor:
MR. F. B. CLARK, JR., Mobile.

Standing Committee of the Diocese:

REV. J. L. TUCKER, D. D.,
" G. C. TUCKER,
" H. STRINGFELLOW, D. D.,
MR. H. T. TOULMIN,
" F. B. CLARK, JR.,
" R. S. BUNKER.

Trustees of the Bishop's Fund:
MR. N. H. R. DAWSON, J. H. FITTS, H. C. TOMPKINS.

Treasurer of the Bishop's Fund:
N. H. R. DAWSON.

Trustees of the University of the South for Alabama:
REV. GEO. M. EVERHART, D.D., MR. W. W. SCREWS, MR. T. K. JONES.

Treasurer of the University of the South for Alabama:
MR. H. A. LOWE.

Missionary Board:
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REV. H. STRINGFELLOW, D. D., Arch-Deacon.

REV. J. M. BANISTER, D. D.,
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" GEO. M. EVERHART, D. D.,
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" THOMAS COBBS,
" W. W. SCREWS,
" H. T. TOULMIN,
" C. E. WALLER.

Candidates for Priests' Orders:

REV. OBRE R. BOURNE, Deacon.
" PERCY GORDON, Deacon.

Candidates for Deacons' Orders:

THOMAS BARRY,
J. J. D. HALL,
W. C. WHITAKER,
JOHN CONWAY JOHNES,
L. H. SNELL.

Deaconesses:

Sister HARRIET	Church Home, Mobile.	
" REBECCA	"	" "
" ELIZABETH	"	" "
" SARAH	"	" "
" BELLE	"	" "
" MARY	"	" "
" MARY	"	" "

Examiners:

REV. H. STRINGFELLOW, D. D.,
" R. H. COBBS, D. D.,
" J. L. TUCKER, D. D.,
" J. M. BANISTER, D. D.,
REV. JOHN A. HARRISON, D. D.,
" T. J. BEARD,
" W. A. STICKNEY,
" PHILIP A. FITTS.

Lay Readers:

PETER M. DOX, Huntsville.
GEORGE ROOP, Trinity.
JOHN SNODGRASS, Scottsboro.
F. B. LONG, Grace Ch'ch, Dallas.
J. H. GRAY, Decatur.
S. H. GRUBER, Decatur.
W. LEROY BROUN, Auburn.
J. S. NEWMAN, Auburn.
JOHN CONWAY JOHNES, Gr'nville.
L. H. SNELL, Mobile.
W. C. WHITAKER, Mobile.
H. T. TOULMIN, Mobile.
EDWARD L. STICKNEY, Greensboro.
R. L. BLISS, Florence.
M. C. WILSON, Florence.
CHAS. E. WALLER, Greensboro.
WILFRED BELLINGER, Coalburg.
THOS. C. SMITH, Autauga.
JOHN G. MURRAY, Brierfield.
L. R. HEWITT, Anniston.
JAS. B. HEAD, Birmingham.
G. A. P. CODWISE, Birmingham.
WM. B. HALL, Lowndesboro.
HENRY WHETSTONE, Lowndesboro.

The Bishop calls the attention of the Clergy to the fact that, under the Canons of the Church, Licenses are issued annually to Lay Readers upon recommendation of the Rectors of the respective Parishes.

Parishes and Mission Stations.

Anniston—Grace Church	Rev. Philip A. Fitts, " Chas. H. Lockwood, Ass't.
Athens—St. Timothy	Vacant.
Auburn—Holy Innocents	"
Autaugaville—St. Mathew's	Rev. George M. Everhart, D. D.
Bessemer—No Church Building	" J. A. VanHoose.
Brierfield—No "	" J. F. Smith.
Birmingham—Church of the Advent	" T. J. Beard.
" —St. Mary's	" L. W. Rose,
Bon Secour—St. Peter's	" O. R. Bourne.
Brown's Station—No Building	" W. A. Stickney.
Camden—St. Mary's	Vacant.
Carlowville—St. Paul's	Rev. F. B. Lee.
Clayton—Grace Church	" E. W. Spalding, D. D.
Claiborne—No Church Building	" Geo. R. Upton.
Coalburg	" T. J. Beard.
Columbia	" E. W. Spalding, D. D.
Cross Plains—Christ's Church	" W. T. Allen.
Dallas County—Grace Church	" F. B. Lee.
Dallas County—St. Luke's	" R. J. Walker.
Dallas County—St. David's	Almost extinct.
Decatur—St. Paul's	Rev. Percy Gordon.
Demopolis—Trinity	" J. A. Harrison, D. D.
Eufaula—St. James'	" E. W. Spalding, D. D.
Eutaw—St. Stephens'	Vacant.
Evergreen—St. Mary's	Rev. Geo. R. Upton.
Forkland—St. John's	" J. A. Harrison, D. D.
Fork of Green—St. Mark's	Vacant.
Fowl River—St. Mary's	Rev. O. R. Bourne.
Florence—Trinity	" B. F. Mower.
Gadsden—No Church	" W. T. Allen.
Gainesville—St. Alban's	Vacant.
Greensboro—St. Paul's	Rev. R. H. Cobbs, D. D.
Greenville—St. Thomas'	" Geo. R. Upton.
Hayneville—St. Andrew's	" Geo. R. Upton.
Hale County—St. Andrew's	" R. H. Cobbs, D. D.
Huntsville—The Nativity	" J. M. Banister. D. D.
Jacksonville—St. Luke's	" W. T. Allen.
Lowndesboro—St. Paul's	" Geo. R. Upton.
Livingston—St. James'	" W. T. Allen.
Marion—St. Wilfrid	" Robert J. Walker.
Marengo County—St. Michael's	Vacant.
Montevallo	Rev. J. F. Smith.

Morgan County—Grace Church, Trinity Station—Vacant.
Montgomery—St. John's.....Rev. H. Stringfellow, D. D.
" —Holy Comforter.....Vacant.
Mobile—Christ's Church.....Rev. J. L. Tucker, D. D.
" —Trinity..... " J. L. Lancaster.
" —St. John's..... " G. L. Tucker.
" —Good Shepherd..... " A. W. Pierce.
Opelika—Emanuel..... " Geo. M. Everhart, D. D.
Pratt Mines..... " J. A. VanHoose.
Prattville—St. Mark's..... " Geo. M. Everhart, D. D.
Pushmataha—Calvary..... " W. A. Stickney.
Seale Mission.....Vacant.
Selma—St. Paul's.....Rev. R. W. Barnwell.
Scottsborough—St. Luke's.....Vacant.
Spring Hill—St. Paul's.....The Bishop.
Sheffield—Grace Church.....Rev. DeB. Waddell.
Talladega—St. Peter's..... " Jos. Jameson.
Tuskaloosa—Christ's Church..... " J. H. Stringfellow.
Tuscumbia—St. John's..... " DeB. Waddell.
Troy—St. Mark's.....Vacant.
Union Town—Holy Cross.....Rev. W. A. Stickney.
Union Springs—Trinity.....Vacant.
Whistler—St. Paul's.....Rev. O. R. Bourne.

Deans and Convocations.

Convocation of Mobile—Rev. J. L. Tucker, D. D., Dean. This Convocation embraces the counties of Mobile and Baldwin.

Convocation of Montgomery—Rev. Geo. M. Everhart, D. D., Dean. This Convocation embraces counties of Montgomery, Conecuh, Butler, Lowndes, Autauga, Lee, Russell, Pike, Bullock and Barbour.

Convocation of Selma—Rev. R. H. Cobbs, D. D., Dean. This Convocation embraces counties of Dallas, Perry, Marengo, Hale, Choctaw and part of Greene.

Convocation of Birmingham—Rev. T. J. Beard, D. D., Dean, embracing the counties of Jefferson, Tuskaloosa, Sumter, part of Greene, St. Clair, Shelby, Bibb, Talladega and Calhoun.

Convocation of Huntsville—Rev. J. M. Banister, D. D., Dean, embracing counties of Madison, Jackson, Limestone, Morgan, Lawrence, Franklin and Lauderdale.

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FIRST DAY.

The Fifty-seventh Annual Council of the PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH, in the Diocese of Alabama, assembled in the Church of The Nativity, Huntsville, May 23d, 1888.

Morning Prayer was said at 10 o'clock A. M.; the sermon being preached by Rev. G. R. UPTON, from the text, Phil. i. 21:

"To me to live is Christ."

The Holy Communion was celebrated by the Rt. Rev. R. H. WILMER, D. D., Bishop of the Diocese, assisted by Rev. J. M. BANISTER, D. D., Rector of the Parish.

Immediately after service, the Council was called to order by the Rt. Rev. President, who presented the following

List of Clergy Entitled to Seats in the Annual Council of the Diocese of Alabama:

RT. REV. R. H. WILMER, D. D., LL. D.

Rev. W. T. Allen,	Rev. J. M. Banister, D. D.,
" R. W. Barnwell,	" T. J. Beard,
" O. R. Bourne,	" R. H. Cobbs, D. D.,
" Thos. A. Cook,	" Geo. M. Everhart, D. D.,
" P. A. Fitts,	" Percy Gordon,
" J. J. Harris,	" John A. Harrison, D. D.,
" Joseph Jameson,	" J. L. Lancaster,*
" F. B. Lee,	" Chas. H. Lockwood,*
" B. F. Mower,	" A. W. Pierce,
" L. W. Rose,	" J. F. Smith,
" E. W. Spalding, D. D.,	" W. A. Stickney,
" H. Stringfellow,	" J. H. Stringfellow,
" J. L. Tucker, D. D.,	" G. C. Tucker,
" G. R. Upton,	" J. A. VanHoose,
" DeB. Waddell,	" R. J. Walker.*

Those marked * not entitled to vote.

The Secretary of the last Council called the roll as thus presented, and the following answered to their names:

RT. REV. R. H. WILMER, D. D., LL. D.

Rev. J. M. Banister, D. D.,	Rev. R. W. Barnwell,
" T. J. Beard,	" R. H. Cobbs, D. D.,
" P. A. Fitts,	" Percy Gordon,
" John A. Harrison, D. D.,	" Joseph Jameson,
" F. B. Lee,	" B. F. Mower,
" L. W. Rose,	" J. F. Smith,
" E. W. Spalding,	" W. A. Stickney,
" H. Stringfellow, D. D.,	" J. H. Stringfellow,
" G. R. Upton,	" DeB. Waddell.

As provided for by Canon, the Treasurer of the Diocese presented the following

List of Parishes Entitled to Representation in this Council:

St. Andrew's Parish, Hale county.	Grace Church Parish, Clayton.
Grace Church Parish, Anniston.	Christ Church Parish, Cross Plains.
St. Mark's Parish, Fork of Greene.	Church of Good Shepherd, Mobile.
Grace Church Parish, Tilden.	St. James' Parish, Livingston.
St. John's Parish, Forkland.	St. John's Parish, Mobile.
Emanuel Parish, Opelika.	St. Timothy's Parish, Athens.
St. Peter's Parish, Talladega.	St. Luke's Parish, Scottsboro.
St. Stephen's Parish, Eutaw.	Christ Church Parish, Mobile.
St. Paul's Parish, Carlowville.	St. Paul's Parish, Selma.
St. John's Parish, Tuscumbia.	St. Paul's Parish, Whistler.
St. Paul's Parish, Lowndesboro.	St. Luke's Parish, Jacksonville.
Church of the Nativity, Huntsville.	Church of Holy Cross, Uniontown.
St. Paul's Parish, Decatur.	Trinity Parish, Mobile.
Brierfield Mission, Brierfield.	St. Thomas Parish, Greenville.
St. James' Parish, Eufaula.	Trinity Parish, Florence.
Church of Holy Innocents, Auburn.	Grace Church Parish, Trinity, Ala.
Christ Church, Tuskaloosa.	Trinity Parish, Demopolis.
Montevallo Mission, Montevallo.	St. John's Parish, Montgomery.
St. Mary's Parish, Birmingham.	St. Paul's Parish, Greensboro.
Church of the Advent, Birmingham.	St. Alban's Church, Brown's Stat'n.
Church of Holy Comforter, M'ntg'y.	Trinity Parish, Union Springs.

The list of Parishes so entitled was called, and Credentials of Lay Deputies were presented and referred to a Committee, consisting of Rev. W. A. STICKNEY, Rev. B. F. MOWER and Rev. DEB. WADDELL.

This Committee reported the following Lay Deputies entitled to seats:

Grace Church, Anniston—J. W. Noble, A. L. Tyler, H. W. Hillary, P. P. Huger, L. W. Hammond.

St. Timothy's Church, Athens—C. J. Dunlap.

Church of the Advent, Birmingham—Thos. Cobbs, R. H. Pearson, W. J. Milner, J. R. Carter, Robert Jemison.

St. Mary's Church, Birmingham—James Weatherley, George C. Ball, J. B. Head, R. N. Rhodes, G. H. Ellerbe.

St. Paul's Church, Carlowville—J. D. Alison, Sr., E. W. Wade, R. J. Lide, Harry Smith, S. O. Reynolds.

St. Paul's Church, Decatur—J. H. Gray, S. H. Gruber, M. A. Tyng, W. H. Jains, E. L. Menager.

Trinity Church, Demopolis—F. G. Lyon, C. B. Whitfield, D. F. Prout.

St. James' Church, Eufaula—H. R. Shorter, W. H. Bray, Dozier Thornton, P. H. Morris, T. W. Toney.

St. Mary's Church, Evergreen—P. D. Bowles, C. B. Savage, N. Stallworth.

Trinity Church, Florence—R. L. Bliss, W. H. Russell.

St. John's Church, Forkland—W. N. Glover, J. S. Brasfield, Williamson Glover, A. Y. Glover.

St. Paul's Church, Greensboro—A. S. Jeffries, C. E. Waller, V. G. Snedecor, E. L. Stickney, R. H. Stickney.

St. Thomas' Church, Greenville—J. C. Johnes, D. G. Dunklin, E. Crenshaw.

Church of The Nativity, Huntsville—O. B. Patton, Milton Humes, J. R. Stevens, Irvine White, P. M. Dox.

St. Andrews' Parish, Hale County—H. A. Tayloe, J. H. DuBose, W. W. Dugger, R. H. Dugger, C. A. Smith.

Trinity Church, Mobile—H. T. Toulmin, F. J. McCoy, A. M. Quigley, L. A. George, Richard Felder.

St. John's Church, Montgomery—Joel White, W. W. Screws, H. C. Tompkins, B. J. Baldwin, H. Stringfellow, jr.

Church of the Holy Comforter, Montgomery—T. G. Foster, John L. Cobbs, J. N. Gilmer.

St. Paul's Church, Selma—Geo. A. Wilkins, F. Boykin, Jr., J. F. Johns, E. P. Galt, H. V. Weedon.

St. Luke's Church, Scottsboro—A. Snodgrass, W. H. Payne, J. E. Brown, H. T. Byrn, John Snodgrass.

Sheffield Mission—R. C. Randolph.

St. Peter's Church, Talladega—R. Nickles, J. S. Graves, F. H. Crane, J. F. Slaughter.

Christ Church, Tuskaloosa—J. H. Fitts, Alonzo Hill, H. A. Jones, W. C. Fitts, Wm. Cochrane.

St. John's Church, Tuscumbia—D. W. Hicks, S. Parshall.

Trinity Church, Union Springs—D. F. McCall, R. L. Hobdy.

Church of the Holy Cross, Uniontown—J. M. Langhorne, Edwin Shield, J. M. Langhorne, Jr.

Grace Church, Trinity—J. M. Minor, Samuel Lile, G. G. Roop.

Their names being called, the following were found to be present:

Messrs. J. W. Noble, C. J. Dunlap, Thos. Cobbs, S. A. Reynolds, J. H. Gray, S. H. Gruber, D. F. Prout, C. E. Waller, R. H. Stickney, J. C. Johnes, O. B. Patton, Milton Humes, J. R. Stevens, Irvine White, P. M. Dox, C. A. Smith, H. T. Toulmin, H. Stringfellow, Jr., Geo. A. Wilkins, E. P. Galt, H. V. Weedon, R. C. Randolph, R. Nickles, D. W. Hicks, S. Parshall, D. F. McCall, J. M. Langhorne, G. G. Roop.

A quorum being present, the Council was declared to be duly organized, and Rev. R. H. COBBS, D. D., was nominated and elected Secretary.

On motion, the Rules of Order of the last Council were adopted for the government of this Council.

Applications for admission into union with the Diocese were presented and referred to a Committee, consisting of Rev. R. W. BARNWELL, Mr. R. H. STICKNEY and Mr. D. F. MCCALL.

On motion, the Council took a recess till 5 o'clock P. M.

HUNTSVILLE, MAY 23.

The Council re-assembled at 5 o'clock P. M., and the Bishop of the Diocese read the Statistical portion of his Annual Address, and then officially notified the Council that he withdrew his letter in regard to the election of an Assistant Bishop; whereupon the following preamble and resolutions were presented:

WHEREAS, The Bishop has officially notified the Council of the withdrawal of his letter referring to the possible election of an Assistant Bishop; therefore,

Resolved, That we appreciate the necessity of taking active measures in order to relieve the Bishop of labors not properly belonging to his office, and also in order to meet the increasing demands of the Church within his jurisdiction. This, in our opinion, can best be done by an increase of our missionary offerings, that so vacant missions, and other points now opening up in the Diocese, may be supplied with a resident ministry.

Resolved, That we convey to the Bishop our renewed expression of loyalty and affection, and the assurance of our constant prayer that the time may be far distant when he shall be compelled, from infirmity or any other cause, to pass even a portion of his duties into the hands of another.

On motion, these resolutions were unanimously adopted by a rising vote.

On motion, the Bishop was requested to finish his Address in the church on Thursday, at 12 o'clock.

On motion, the Council adjourned till 10 A. M. to-morrow.

SECOND DAY.

HUNTSVILLE, ALA., May 24, 1888.

The Council met pursuant to adjournment, and after prayers were said, the roll was called and a quorum found to be present. The minutes of yesterday's proceedings were read and approved. The Rev. GEO. M. EVERHART, D. D., Rev. J. L. LANCASTER, Rev. J. L. TUCKER, D. D., Rev. G. C. TUCKER, and Rev. J. A. VANHOOSE, and Messrs. W. L. BROWN, JAS. WEATHERLY, L. D. AYLETT, J. D. ALISON, Sr., R. J. LIDE, M. A. TYNG, DOZIER THORNTON, R. L. BLISS, JOEL WHITE, W. W. SCREWS, H. C. TOMPKINS, J. L. COBBS, J. S. GRAVES, J. H. FITTS, ALONZO HILL, appeared and took their seats.

Certificates of election of Lay Deputies were presented from St. Luke's Church, Jacksonville; Christ's Church, Cross Plains; Church of the Holy Innocents, Auburn; Christ's Church, Mobile; St. John's Church, Mobile; Emanuel Church, Opelika. All were declared to be in due form, and the following Delegates entitled to seats: St. Luke's Church, Jacksonville, PEYTON ROWAN, W. H. DEAN; Christ's Church, Cross Plains, J. F. DAILY; Church of the Holy Innocents, Auburn, W. L. BROUN; Christ's Church, Mobile, R. S. BUNKER, W. H. ROSS, T. S. FRY, F. B. CLARK, F. E. PARKER; St. John's Church, Mobile, OLIVER J. SEMMES, D. S. LAY, W. J. MCCOWAN, FRED GRAVES, EMMANUEL JONES; Emmanuel Church, Opelika, JAMES CLAYTON. Their names being called, Messrs. W. H. DEAN, J. F. DAILY, W. L. BROUN, W. H. ROSS, T. S. FRY, OLIVER J. SEMMES and JAMES CLAYTON took their seats.

The following Standing Committees were announced by the President:

Committee on the State of the Church—Revs. W. A. Stickney, F. B. Lee,

J. M. Banister, D. D., Geo. M. Everhart, D. D., T. J. Beard, DeB. Waddell, J. F. Smith, and Messrs. P. M. Dox, R. Nickles, J. D. Alison, R. L. Bliss, J. M. Langhorne, James Clayton, Alonzo Hill.

Committee on Canons—Revs. H. Stringfellow, D. D., P. A. Fitts, R. W. Barnwell, J. A. Harrison, D. D., E. W. Spalding, D. D., and Messrs. H. C. Tompkins, H. T. Toulmin, Thos. Cobbs, H. Stringfellow, Jr., and S. H. Gruber.

Committee on Finance—Messrs. J. H. Fitts, Joel White, Geo. A. Wilkins, J. W. Noble, R. H. Stickney, R. C. Randolph, W. H. Ross, L. D. Aylett.

Committee on Parochial Reports—Rev. J. L. Tucker, D. D., Rev. G. C. Tucker, Mr. Dozier Thornton.

Committee on Unfinished Business—Rev. R. H. Cobbs, D. D., Mr. D. F. McCall.

The following annual communication from the Standing Committee of the Diocese was presented and read:

REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE OF THE DIOCESE OF ALABAMA, FOR THE YEAR ENDING MAY 7, 1888.

1887—June 27.—The Committee met in the vestry room of Christ Church, Mobile, and organized by the election of the Rev. J. S. Johnston President, and Mr. F. B. Clark, jr., Secretary. Testimonials were laid before the Committee of the election of the Rt. Rev. Wm. F. Adams, D. D., a resigned Missionary Bishop, tc be the Bishop of the Diocese of Easton. On motion the papers were laid on the table.

June 29.—The Committee approved the testimonials of Mr. Louis L. Williams, and recommended him to the Bishop for ordination to the Diaconate.

July 11.—The Committee approved the bill of the printer for publishing and mailing 500 copies of the journal of the last Council, together with sundry other pamphlets.

October 10.—The Committee approved the testimonials of Mr. Thomas Burry, postulant, and recommended him to the Bishop as a candidate for Holy Orders.

November 14.—Canonical testimonials of the election of the Rev. Abiel Leonard, Rector of Trinity Church, Atkinson, Kansas, to be Missionary Bishop of Nevada and Utah, and of the Rev. Jas. S. Johnston, Rector of Trinity Church, Mobile, to be Missionary Bishop of Western Texas, were laid before the Committee, and the consent of this Diocese was given to the consecration to the episcopate of the above-named presbyters.

1888—January 30.—The Committee reorganized by the election of the Rev. J. L. Tucker, D. D., President. The Rev. H. Stringfellow, D. D., was elected a member of the Standing Committee to fill the vacancy caused by the election of the Rev. J. S. Johnston to the episcopate. The testimonials of Mr. John Conway Johnes were received, and he was recommended to the Bishop for admission as a candidate for Holy Orders.

February 6.—Testimonials relative to Mr. J. J. D. Hall, Mr. Walter C. Whitaker, and Mr. L. H. Snell, were laid before the Committee, and they were recommended to the Bishop for admission as candidates for Holy Orders.

May 7 and 8.—The testimonials of Rev. Percy Gordon, Deacon, were laid before the Committee, and he was recommended to the Bishop for ordination to the Priesthood.

The Digest of the Canons ordered by the last Council (journal of 1887, page 25) was considered by the Committee for two days, and sundry changes in both Constitution and Canons determined upon for recommendation to the Council. The Committee ask to have the subject recommitted to them, with permission to print a proposed Digest for the consideration of the next Council.

JOSEPH L. TUCKER, President.

On motion, the changes suggested in Constitution and Canons were submitted to the Committee on Canons.

The Committee appointed by the last Council to consider the subject of the Hamner Hall property, made a report (see Appendix) which was read, and on motion was received and concurred in.

The Committee on a Diocesan Seal, appointed by the last Council, made the following report:

Your Committee beg leave to report that they have made a design for a seal, which was approved by the Bishop, and engraved in New York, at a cost of fifteen dollars. Impressions from this seal may be seen on the Treasurer's table. J. L. TUCKER.

On motion, it was

Resolved, That this report be concurred in, and this seal be adopted by this Council as the official seal of the Diocese of Alabama.

On motion, the rules of order were suspended, and the Parochial reports, without being read, were referred to the appropriate Committee.

The following was presented and read, and on motion the resolution was adopted:

The Committee on the Admission of New Parishes, beg leave to report that they have considered the applications of St. Peter's, Bon Secour and Grace Church, Sheffield, and found the Articles of Association in due form, and hereby recommend the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That St. Peter's, Bon Secour and Grace Church, Sheffield, be admitted into union with the Diocese of Alabama.

R. W. BARNWELL,
D. F. MCCALL,
R. H. STICKNEY, } Committee.

A certificate of election of Lay Deputies from Grace Church, Sheffield, was presented and declared to be in due form, and R. C. RANDOLPH, W. H. JONES, M. THORNTON, H. F. JONES and T. TURPIN entitled to seats in the Council. Their names were called, and R. C. RANDOLPH and H. F. JONES took their seats.

The Treasurer of the Diocese presented his report which, on motion, was referred to the Committee on Finance.

The hour of 12 M. having arrived, the Bishop proceeded to finish his annual address.

On motion, it was

Resolved, That candidates for Holy Orders and visiting clergymen be invited to seats in this Council.

Under this resolution the Rev. Mr. PHILLIPS, of the Diocese of Easton, took a seat in this body.

On motion, the Council adjourned till 10 o'clock Friday morning.

THIRD DAY.

HUNTSVILLE, May 25, 1888.

The Council met pursuant to adjournment.

After prayers were said, the Roll was called, and a quorum found to be present. The minutes of yesterday's proceedings were read and approved.

The Council then voted, by ballot. for the Standing Committee of the Diocese, Rev. PERCY GORDON, Rev. J. A. VAN-HOOSE and Mr. R. J. LIDE being appointed Tellers.

The balloting resulted in the election of Rev. J. L. TUCKER, D. D., Rev. G. C. TUCKER, Rev. H. STRINGFELLOW, D. D., and Mr. H. T. TOULMIN, Mr. F. B. CLARK, JR., and Mr. R. S. BUNKER.

The following communication was presented, and was unanimously adopted, the Council voting by Orders, as required by law:

The Committee on Canons beg leave to recommend that Canon II, Section 2, be, and is hereby, amended so as to read as follows: "All Treasurers' accounts shall be closed and balanced on the Wednesday preceding the meeting of the Council."

The following resolutions were also adopted:

The Committee on Canons, to whom the Digest of Canons, with proposed alterations and amendments, was referred, beg leave to recommend the adoption of the following resolutions:

Resolved, That the same be, and is hereby, re-committed to the Standing Committee of the Diocese, in order that additional time may be had for the completion of their work.

Resolved, That the Standing Committee of the Diocese be requested, and are hereby authorized, to publish and mail to each Rector, four months prior to the meeting of the next Council, six copies of the Digest of the Canons, with proposed alterations and amendments.

Resolved, That the Secretary be directed to have the Constitution and Canons now binding on the Diocese published in the Journal.

On motion, the Rules of Order were suspended, and the election of Delegates to the General Convention was postponed to the next Council.

The reports of the Treasurer of the Diocesan Missionary Fund, and of the Treasurer of the Bishop's Fund, were presented, and, on motion, were referred to the Committee on Finance.

The report of the Treasurer of the University of the South for Alabama, and of the Trustees of the Bishop's Fund, were presented, and ordered to be printed.

On motion, the Council resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider the subject of Diocesan Missions.

After an interval, the Council resumed its session, and the following resolutions were offered as the report from the Committee of the Whole:

Resolved, That an Evangelist be selected by the Bishop and the Board of Missions, whenever a sufficient sum shall have been pledged for his support, and that his duty shall be to do such missionary work as the Bishop may direct

Resolved, That the salary of such Evangelist shall be fixed by the Board of Missions, not to exceed the sum of $2,000.

Resolved, That the Treasurer of the Diocesan Missionary Fund shall send monthly, to the Rector of each Parish and the local missionary society, a printed statement of his receipts and disbursements, and the immediate needs of the Diocese; and may publish, in any church paper, any items which he may deem of especial interest, and he shall be authorized to employ clerical help in doing this work.

Resolved, That the Board of Missions be, and they are hereby, author-

ized to appoint a Clergyman of the Diocese, who shall be, under the Bishop, the executive head of the Board of Missions.

On motion, these resolutions were adopted.

An application for permission to sell church property was made by St. Paul's Parish, Decatur, and, on motion, was referred to the Committee on Canons.

On motion, the Council took a recess till 5 o'clock P. M.

At 5 P. M. the Council resumed its session.

On motion, a committee, consisting of Rev. T. J. BEARD, Rev. J. F. SMITH and Rev. J. H. STRINGFELLOW, was appointed to draft suitable resolutions in regard to the death of the Rev. S. U. SMITH.

On motion, it was

Resolved, That the next Annual Session of this Council be held in St. Mary's Church, Birmingham, beginning Tuesday, the 21st day of May, 1889.

On motion, the present form of Parochial Reports was referred to the Committee on Parochial Reports for amendments.

Messrs. W. W. SCREWS, C. E. WALLER, J. W. NOBLE, H. T. TOULMIN and S. H. GRUBER were elected members of the Missionary Board.

Mr. GEORGE A. WILKINS was nominated and elected Treasurer of the Diocese.

Mr. C. E. WALLER was nominated and elected Treasurer of the Diocesan Missionary Fund.

The Council, voting by ballot, elected Messrs. N. H. R. DAWSON, J. H. FITTS and H. C. TOMPKINS, Trustees of the Bishop's Fund, Mr. DAWSON being designated as Treasurer.

On motion, the Council adjourned till 9:30 o'clock Saturday morning.

FOURTH DAY.

HUNTSVILLE, ALA., May 26, 1888.

The Council met pursuant to adjournment, and after prayers were said the roll was called and a quorum found to be present. The minutes of yesterday's proceedings were read and approved.

The following communication from the Board of Missions, was presented and read:

By instruction of the Bishop, the Secretary of the Board of Missions presents the following report of the action of the Board for ratification:

WHEREAS, The Council has authorized the Board of Missions to select an Executive Officer who, under the Bishop, shall have general charge of the missionary work of the Diocese; therefore,

Resolved, That such officer shall be designated the Arch Deacon of the Diocese of Alabama, and shall be elected upon nomination of the Bishop at each annual Council.

Resolved, That it shall be his duty, from time to time, to visit the various missionary points in the Diocese, having a general oversight thereof, and reporting to the Board of Missions when any action may be required on their part.

Resolved, That with the consent of the Rectors, he shall visit different parishes, with the view of organizing local missionary societies.

Resolved, That he shall make a report to the Bishop prior to the meeting of each annual Council of his official acts, and such other matters of interest as pertain to the mission work of the Diocese.

Attest: THOS. J. BEARD. Sec'y B. M.

On motion, this action of the Board of Missions was ratified by the Council, and on nomination by the Bishop, Rev. A. STRINGFELLOW, D. D., was elected Arch Deacon of the Diocese of Alabama.

On motion, it was

Resolved, That the Treasurer of the Diocesan Missionary Fund, under the direction of the Arch Deacon, and with the consent of the Rector of the parish or mission station, be and he is authorized to organize missionary societies within the Diocese of Alabama.

On motion, it was

Resolved, That the Board of Missions shall be composed of the Bishop of the Diocese, the Arch Deacon, the Deans of the several Convocations, the treasurer of the Diocesan Missionary Fund, and a lay member from each Convocation; the Treasurer and lay members to be elected annually by the Council.

Resolved, That the Treasurer and lay members elected at this Council be and they are hereby continued as such officers and members until their successors are elected.

On motion, and by a rising vote, it was

Resolved, That the hearty thanks of this Council be and are hereby tendered to the Rector and members of the Church of the Nativity, and to the citizens of Huntsville, for the courtesy and kindness with which it has been entertained.

The following report was presented and read:

The Committee on Finance beg to report that they have examined and audited the accounts of Mr. Geo. A. Wilkins, as Treasurer of the Diocese, and find, including the balance on hand at last Council, he has received the sum of.....$ 5,435 90
And that he has properly expended the sum of..... 5,013 32

Leaving a balance on hand of.....$ 422 58

The thanks of the Council are due to Mr. Wilkins for the able and punctual manner in which he has discharged the duties of his office.

The Committee further report that they have examined and audited the accounts of Mr. Charles E. Waller, Treasurer of the Diocesan Missionary Fund, and find that including the balance on hand at the last Council, he has received the sum of.....$ 4,093 39
And has properly expended the sum of..... 3,611 20

Leaving a balance on hand of.....$ 482 19

The energy, zeal and system with which Mr. Waller has discharged his duties inspires us with brighter hopes for the future, and deserves the warmest acknowledgments of the Council.

The Committee further report that they have examined and audited the accounts of Mr. N. H. R. Dawson as Treasurer of the Bishop's Fund. There was no balance on hand at the last Council, and the Treasurer has received from interest and rents the sum of.....$ 1,216 00
And that he has properly expended the sum of..... 1,216 00
Leaving no balance on hand.

The Committee submit the following as the

REQUIREMENTS FOR 1888-'89.

The Bishop's salary	$ 4,000 00
The Secretary of the Council	100 00
The Treasurer of the Council	50 00
Expenses of Council for 1887 and '88	15 00
Printing the Journal for Council of 1887 and '88	250 00
Half premium on policy of Life Insurance of the Bishop	122 50
Total	$ 4,537 50

And the following as the

ESTIMATED RESOURCES FOR 1888-'89.

Cash in hands of the Treasurer	$ 422 58
Interest from the Bishop's Fund	1,000 00
Assessments for 1888 and '89, (see Exhibit "A") less 10 %	3,928 50
Due from delinquent Parishes (Exhibit "B")	100 00
Total	$ 5,451 08

EXHIBIT A.—ASSESSMENTS FOR 1888 AND 1889.

Christ Church parish, Mobile, Ala	$ 600
St. John's Church parish, Montgomery	650
St. Paul's Church parish, Selma	350
Church of the Nativity, Huntsville	300
Trinity Church parish, Mobile	300
Church of the Advent, Birmingham	250
St. Mary's Church, (the Highlands) Birmingham	250
Christ's Church, Tuskaloosa	150
Grace Church parish, Anniston	150
St. John's Church parish, Mobile	150
Trinity Church parish, Demopolis	100
Church of the Holy Cross, Uniontown	50
St. James' Church parish, Eufaula	50
St. Stephen's Church parish, Eutaw	50
St. Wilfrid's Church parish, Marion	45
St. Thomas' Church parish, Greenville	30
St. Andrew's Church parish, Macon Station	45
St. Luke's Church parish, Martin's Station	25
Church of the Good Shepherd, Mobile	25
Church of the Holy Comforter, Montgomery	25
Brierfield Mission, Brierfield	20
Church of the Holy Innocents, Auburn	15
Trinity Church parish, Florence	25
St. Peter's Church parish, Talladega	25
St. Paul's Church parish, Decatur	100
St. Paul's Church parish, Greensboro	150
St. Mark's Church parish, Fork of Green	20
St. Luke's Church parish, Jacksonville	20
St. James' Church parish, Livingston	25
Grace Church parish, Clayton	20
St. Andrew's Church parish, Haynesville	15
St John's Church parish, Tuscumbia	15
St. Luke's Church parish, Scottsboro	15
St. Mark's Church parish, Troy	15
St. Mary's Church parish, Evergreen	15
St. Paul's Church parish, Lowndesboro	15
St. Paul's Church, Carlowville	25
St. Timothy's Church parish, Athens	15
Christ's Church parish, Cross Plains	10
Gadsden Mission, Gadsden	10
Grace Church parish, Tilden	10
Montevallo Mission, Montevallo	10
St. Alban's Church parish, Gainsville	10
St. John's Church parish, Forkland	10
St. Mark's Church parish, Prattville	10
Trinity Church parish, Union Springs	10
Grace Church parish, Trinity	10
Emanuel Church parish, Opelika	10
St. Mary's Church parish, Camden	5
St. Mathew's Church parish, Autaugaville	5
Calvary Church parish, Pushmataha	5
St. Paul's Church parish, Spring Hill	5
St. Paul's Church parish, Whistler	5
St. Alban's Church parish, Brown's Station	5
St. Michael's Church parish, Marengo county	55
Grach Church, Sheffield	25
St. Peter's Church, Bon Secour	10
Total	$4,365

EXHIBIT B.

PARISHES IN ARREARS.

Calvary, Pushmataha, Ala., 1886. '87 and '88	$ 10 00
St. Mark's, Troy, Ala., 1886 and '87	5 00
St. Andrew's, Haynesville, Ala., 1886 and '87	15 00
St. Mark's, Prattville, Ala., 1886 and '87	10 00
St. Mary's, Evergreen, Ala., 1886 and '87	15 00
St. Matthew's, Autaugaville, Ala., 1886, '87 and '88	10 00
St. Mary's, Camden, Ala., 1886, '87 and '88	10 00
St. Michael's, Marengo county, Ala., 1886, '87 and '88	180 00
St. Wilfrid's, Marion, Ala., 1887 and '88	33 75
St. Luke's, Martin's Station, Ala., 1887-8	25 00
St. Alban's, Gainesville, Ala., 1887-8	10 00
Gadsden Mission, 1887-8	10 00
St. Paul's, Spring Hill, Ala., 1887-8	5 00
Total	$ 338 75

The Committee recommend that the arrears of St. Michael's, $180, and St. Wilfrid's, $33.75, be remitted.

Respectfully submitted,

J. H. FITTS, Ch'n,
JOEL WHITE,
WM. H. ROSS.
} Committee.

On motion, this report was received, and the resolutions and recommendations concurred in.

The following was presented and read:

The Council of Alabama desires, by this minute, to express the sense of the great loss it has sustained in the death of the Rev. S. U. Smith, for thirty-five years an honorable presbyter of this Diocese. The following resolutions are therefore presented:

WHEREAS, The Rev. S. U. Smith, late Rector of St. Stephen's Parish, Eutaw, has been summoned by our Heavenly Father to his eternal rest; and,

Whereas, his long residence in the Diocese, his faithful labors as a Priest in the Church of God, his conscientious discharge of all the duties of his office as teacher, guide and friend, made him loved and respected by all who came within the circle of his influence; therefore, be it

Resolved, That in the bereavement we have sustained in the death of our brother, the Diocese has also suffered a serious loss.

Resolved, That whilst we thankfully remember his faithful years of service in the Diocese, we here record our unfaltering hope that he has entered into the promised rest.

Resolved, That these resolutions be spread upon the Record, and that a page thereof be devoted to the same, and that the Secretary of the Council transmit a copy of the same to his family, and to the vestry of St. Stephen's Parish, Eutaw.

On motion, these resolutions were adopted by a rising vote.

The following report was presented and read, and, on motion, was received and concurred in:

The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred the matter of the sale of certain church property in Decatur, recommend the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That consent be, and the same is hereby given, to the Bishop of the Diocese, to sell and convey the real estate described in a certain deed executed by the Decatur Land Improvement and Furnace Company to the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Alabama, and dated .. . . day of....., 1887, or so much thereof as the Rector, Wardens and Vestry of St. Paul's Church, in the town of Decatur, may, in their judgment, deem it advisable to sell. Also, certain other property held by the above-named Church, its Rector, Wardens and Vestry, being the lot of land and buildings thereon now used and occupied by said church.

H. STRINGFELLOW, *Chairman.*

On motion, the Secretary was instructed to convey the thanks of the Council to the various railroad companies who offered reduced rates to the members of this body.

On motion, it was

Resolved, That the *Alabama Churchman* be adopted as the organ of the Bishop and of the Board of Missions, and that the same be under the control of the Bishop and the Board of Missions.

On motion, the Secretary was granted permission to publish certain historical sketches in the *Alabama Churchman.*

The Committee on Parochial Reports presented a report (see Appendix), which, on motion, was received and concurred in.

On motion, a committee was appointed, consisting of Rev. J. L. TUCKER, D. D., Rev. A. W. PIERCE and Mr. O. J. SEMMES, who, with the Bishop as chairman, should present to the next Council a Form of Parochial Report.

The following report was presented and read, and, on motion, was received and concurred in:

This Council presents a brighter, more encouraging outlook of the Diocese than has been furnished for the past two decades. Certain financial machinery furnishes an exhibit heretofore unknown to the Diocese, and with promise heightened in its future working. Confirmations have been unusually large. The Clergy List, as also that of Candidates for Holy Orders, has lengthened. The rapid influx of population into the ore and mining regions is giving birth to new parishes, rapidly in process of organization, beside those received into union at this Council. With the

assistance of the Diocesan Missionary Society, now launched into activity these numerous incipient stations may soon become self-supportin parishes and centers. Already some of these youthful centers hav lengthened their cords and formed second and independent parishes i these towns of magic growth. The hearty co-operation of our La brethren may be mentioned as commendable and conspicuous in all thi aggressive work; and, in proportion as they are recreated and animate by the power of God, the Holy Ghost, "The Lord and Giver of Life," will the great work now outstretching before us be speeded to its gloriou consummation. A form of growth has been put forth in three of ou oldest city parishes during the last year, which we regard as notabl worthy of commendation and imitation—the erection of commodiou buildings contiguous to the church for Sunday Schools, Parish meetings &c., &c.; the costly free-will offerings of individuals. Three such mon uments of pious liberality now rear their valuable beauty in the ancien cities of Huntsville, Montgomery and Mobile. May the picture b enlarged until like beauty shall adorn the Lord's holy temple in ever parish of the Diocese. W. A. STICKNEY, *Chairman.*

On motion, the Bishop was requested to have printed 2,000 copies of his Pastoral Letter, and the Secretary was instructed to have printed 500 copies of the Journal of this Council.

On motion, the Council adjourned till 9:30 P. M. Sunday.

FIFTH DAY.

HUNTSVILLE, May 27—9:30 P. M.

The Council met pursuant to adjournment. The minutes were read and approved, and, on motion, the Council adjourned *sine die.*

RICHARD H. WILMER,
Bishop of the Diocese of Alabama, and President.

R. H. COBBS, *Secretary.*

[APPENDIX A.]

THE BISHOP OF ALABAMA'S ANNUAL ADDRESS

TO THE

Council of the Diocese of Alabama.

DEARLY BELOVED BRETHREN:—In the good providence of God, we are permitted to assemble once more in Council, and I proceed to give a report of my official labors during the past Conciliar year:

1887—May 11th—The Annual Council of the Diocese assembled in St. Paul's Church, Greensboro The sermon was preached by the Rev. J. M. Banister, D. D., and, after sermon, assisted by the Rector of the Church, I celebrated the Holy Communion

I spent the remainder of the week in attendance upon the sessions of the Council. This Council, being the first assembling of the Clergy and Laity since I had completed the twenty-fifth year of my Episcopate in Alabama, commemorated the event by words and deeds of affectionate appreciation, which will be held by me in grateful remembrance whilst I have my being

I can hardly hope to wear out the Robes in their service, but will transmit the Pastoral Staff to my successor in office, who, I hope and pray, will hold it as worthily as becomes the Bishop of the Diocese of Alabama.

A more worthy Bishop can easily be found, but where, in this age of unrest and confusion, can be found the counterpart of the faithful, earnest and united body of the Clergy and Laity of the Diocese of Alabama? "*O, si sic omnes.*"

May 15th—(Fifth Sunday after Easter.) After a sermon by the Rev. J. L Tucker, D D, I celebrated the Lord's Supper. At evening service, after a sermon by the Rev T. J. Beard, I made an address, and brought to a close the Council of 1887.

May 22d—(Sunday after Ascension.) Held service at Spring Hill.

May 29th—(Whitsunday.) Preached at St. John's Church, Mobile, and celebrated the Lord's Supper.

June 2d—Preached at Bon Secour, and consecrated the new church building by the name of "St. Peter's Church," Bon Secour. I also confirmed two persons and celebrated the Lord's Supper. At evening service, after sermon by the Rev. J. S. Johnston, I confirmed five persons in same church.

The Mission of St. Peter's, Bon Secour, was started by the Rev. Asa J. Roberts, Deacon, who served the people with much devotion as long as his health permitted. He was followed by the Rev. W. W. Kimball. The Mission, which was vacant at the time of my visitation, is at present under the care of the Rev. Obre R. Bourne, Deacon.

June 5th—(Trinity Sunday.) Held service at Spring Hill.

June 12th—(First Sunday after Trinity.) Preached at Christ Church, Mobile, and confirmed eight persons.

June 14th—Attended "Commencement" exercises at Hamner Hall, Montgomery, and made an address to the graduating class.

June 15th—Consecrated the Church of "The Holy Comforter," Montgomery. Sermon by the Rev. R. H. Cobbs, D. D.

June 16th—Consecrated the Church of "The Holy Innocents," at Auburn. Sermon by the Rev. Horace Stringfellow, D. D.

June 17th—I preached in same church, and celebrated the Lord's Supper.

June 18th—I preached at Emanuel Church, Opelika, and confirmed five persons. This church is now under the pastoral care of Rev. George M. Everhart, D. D.

June 19th—(Second Sunday after Trinity.) Visited Prattville, and after a sermon by the Rev. George M. Everhart, D. D., I made an address and confirmed seven persons.

June 26th—(Third Sunday after Trinity.) Preached at St. Paul's Church, Spring Hill, and baptized a child.

July 2d—Preached at Montevallo

July 3d—(Fourth Sunday after Trinity.) Preached at Brierfield, Shelby county, and confirmed eleven persons.

July 7th—At St John's Church, Montgomery, after a sermon by the Rev. Horace Stringfellow, D. D., I made Deacon Louis Llewellyn Williams, and celebrated Holy Communion.

July 17th—(Sixth Sunday after Trinity.) Preached at Mississippi City.

July 24th—(Seventh Sunday after Trinity.) Held service at Spring Hill.

July 29th—Confirmed two persons at Christ Church, Mobile.

July 31st—(Eighth Sunday after Trinity.) Preached at Grace Church, Anniston; and at evening service, after a sermon by the Rev. P. A. Fitts, the Rector, confirmed twelve persons.

August 7th—(Ninth Sunday after Trinity.) Preached at Orkney Springs, Va.

I do not give any detailed account of my ministrations during the two succeeding months, which I spent in the mountains of Virginia. Suffice it to say, that I preached every Sunday. I had morning service every day whilst sojourning at the Springs. I would recommend the Clergy, wherever it is practicable, to gather together the people for morning prayer. I have found it to be an edifying and appreciated service at watering places. It brings Christian people together daily, and serves as a breakwater against the tide of worldliness and frivolity.

October 9th—(Eighteenth Sunday after Trinity.) Addressed the children of the Sunday School at St. Paul's Church, Spring Hill.

October 16th—(Nineteenth Sunday after Trinity.) Preached at St. Peter's Church, Talladega, and, at evening service, after a sermon by the Rev. Joseph Jameson, the newly-elected Rector of the Church, I confirmed three persons.

October 17th—At early service I celebrated the Lord's Supper.

October 18th—Preached at St. Luke's Church, Jacksonville.

October 19th—Preached at same church, and celebrated the Lord's Supper.

October 20th—Preached at Cross Plains, and celebrated the Lord's Supper.

October 21st—Preached at Cave Springs, Ga., and confirmed one person, a resident of the State of Alabama.

October 23d—(Twentieth Sunday after Trinity.) Preached at Grace Church, Anniston, and confirmed five persons. In the afternoon of same day I visited "Glen Addie," and made an address to the people and children gathered together there. I am greatly desirous to see a church building erected somewhere near

Glen Addie for the accommodation of the large population in the part of the city of Anniston. Measures are even now in progress towards that consummation.

October 30th—(Twenty-first Sunday after Trinity.) Preached at Mon Louis' Island, near Fowl river, confirmed eighteen persons, and celebrated Holy Communion.

This Mission Station is under the care of the Rev. Mr. Bourne Missionary of the Mobile Convocation.

November 6th—(Twenty-second Sunday after Trinity.) Preached at St. Paul's church, Carlowville, confirmed twelve persons, and celebrated the Lord's Supper.

November 7th—Preached at Grace church, Dallas county, and confirmed four persons.

November 9th—Preached at Union Springs, and confirmed three persons.

November 10th—Preached at St. Mark's Church, Troy, and confirmed three persons.

November 11th—Preached at same church, and celebrated Holy Communion.

November 13th—(Twenty-third Sunday after Trinity.) Preached at St James' Church, Eufaula, morning and evening Confirmed three persons, and celebrated the Lord's Supper.

Dr. Spalding has done much toward the resuscitation of this Parish A new and most eligible lot has been purchased; the old church, thoroughly renovated, has been moved, and a most commodious rectory built I am thankful to add there is no debt upon the church property.

November 14th—Preached at Grace Church, Clayton.

November 15th—At early morning service I confirmed one person and celebrated Holy Communion.

November 16th—At St. James', Eufaula, by request of the Rector, I baptized an infant.

November 20th—(Twenty-fourth Sunday after Trinity.) Preached at St. Paul's Church, Whistler, confirmed seventeen persons, and celebrated Holy Communion. Number of persons presented by the Rev. Mr. Bourne, Deacon, for confirmation in Mobile Mission, thirty-five.

November 27th—(First Sunday in Advent.) Preached a

Church of the Good Shepherd, Mobile, and confirmed seven persons.

December 4th—(Second Sunday in Advent.) Preached at Christ Church Mobile

December 10th—Gave consent to the consecration of Rev. Abiel Leonard to the Missionary Episcopate of Nevada; also, to that of the Rev. James Steptoe Johnston to the Missionary Episcopate of Western Texas

December 18th—(Fourth Sunday in Advent.) Celebrated Holy Communion at Trinity Church, Mobile

December 21st—Received certifications from Revs. J. L. Tucker and J. S. Johnston that the Rev. Obre R. Bourne, Deacon, had satisfactorily passed his first examination for Priests' Orders.

December 29th—Received a communication from the presiding Bishop, advising me that a majority of the Standing Committees had confirmed the election of the Rev J. S. Johnston to the vacant Episcopate of the Missionary Jurisdiction of Western Texas, and that a majority of the Bishops had consented to his consecration; and furthermore, appointing the Bishops of Alabama, Kentucky and Michigan to proceed with the consecration, time and place at their discretion

December 25th—(Feast of the Nativity) Preached at St. John's Church, Mobile, confirmed fifteen persons, and celebrated Holy Communion.

1888—January 1st—(First Sunday after Christmas and Feast of the Circumcision) Preached at Trinity Church, Mobile, confirmed thirty-four persons, and celebrated Holy Communion.

January 2d—Confirmed, at Church of the Good Shepherd, Mobile, one person.

January 6th—(Epiphany.) At Trinity Church, Mobile, under authority of the presiding Bishop, I consecrated Rev James Steptoe Johnston, a Bishop in the Church of God, to the Episcopate of the Missionary Jurisdiction of Western Texas - the Bishops of Kentucky and Michigan presenting the candidate, the Bishop of Kentucky preaching the sermon, and the Bishops of Kentucky, Michigan, Louisiana and Mississippi uniting in the imposition of hands.

I parted with our beloved brother with deep regret, which was only alleviated by the knowledge that he was transferring his

labor to a larger field of action. Let our prayers and our alms continually follow him in the arduous work to which he has been transferred.

January 22d—(Third Sunday after Epiphany.) Participated in divine service at Trinity Church, Mobile, and welcomed the Rev. J. L. Lancaster to his position as Rector of Trinity Church.

At this time I was unable, for some weeks, to officiate in public, because of an obstinate bronchial affection.

February 3d—At Trinity, Mobile, confirmed two persons, and made an address to the congregation.

February 5th—(Septuagesima Sunday.) Preached at St. John's, Mobile.

February 12th—(Quinquegesima Sunday.) Preached at Christ Church, Mobile.

February 15th—(Ash Wednesday.) Preached at St. John's, Mobile, and celebrated Holy Communion.

February 17th—Lectured at Trinity Church, Mobile, and confirmed one person; candidate presented by Rev. O. R. Bourne.

March 2d—Lectured at St. John's, Montgomery.

March 4th—Preached at the Church of the Advent, Birmingham, confirmed seventeen persons, and celebrated Holy Communion.

March 5th—Preached at St. John's, Elyton, and confirmed one person. Elyton is virtually a part of Birmingham, but services and Sunday School are still kept up—in part by the Rev. T. J. Beard, in part by the Rev. J. A. VanHoose.

March 6th—Preached at Coalburg, confirmed two persons, and celebrated Holy Communion; candidates presented by Rev. T. J. Beard, who assisted me in the services.

Coalburg is a recently settled mining establishment, with but few residents at present. We have, however, a little band of earnest communicants, who have already built a chapel and enjoy the regular services of a Lay Reader, with occasional ministerial services from Rev. Mr. Beard.

Such mission points as Coalburg are rapidly growing up throughout the Diocese, and demand help from our Diocesan Missionary Fund.

March 7th—Preached at Gadsden in the Presbyterian church

(which had been kindly offered for our use), and confirmed one person.

March 8th—Lectured at same place in a private house, and celebrated the Lord's Supper.

Gadsden is gradually growing, and is daily becoming more accessible. I hope to make arrangements for regular ministerial services at an early day.

In the afternoon of same day, I confirmed one person at the Church of the Advent.

March 9th—Preached at Bessemer, a town that has sprung up in a year. We had a goodly gathering of communicants in the parlor of the new hotel. At same service, I also celebrated Holy Communion.

Thus ended the series of services in the mining region round about Birmingham. I greatly enjoyed these services, and only regretted that pressing engagements in advance prevented my longer tarrying.

March 11th—(Fourth Sunday in Lent.) Preached at St. Mary's, a church in "The Highlands" of Birmingham, and confirmed a class of nine persons.

This church, nearly completed, starts under favoring auspices. Although its exterior arrangements are not yet completed, its interior is very attractive, and its acoustic properties are unsurpassed —a great comfort, both to the preacher and hearer.

The Rev. L. W. Rose, from the Diocese of North Carolina, is now Rector of this Church. We bid him Godspeed.

In the afternoon of same day, I confirmed two persons at Elyton. Candidates presented by the Rev. T. J. Beard during the year, twenty-three.

March 13th—Lectured at St. Mary's, Birmingham.

March 15th—Lectured at Christ Church, Tuskaloosa.

March 16th—Lectured at same Church.

March 18th—(Fifth Sunday in Lent.) Preached at Christ Church, Tuskaloosa, confirmed seventeen persons, and celebrated the Lord's Supper.

March 25th—(Sunday next before Easter.) Preached at St. John's, Mobile, and confirmed forty-two persons. Number confirmed at St. John's since last report, fifty-seven.

At this time I was prevented, by high water, from fulfilling appointments at Greenville, Evergreen, Auburn and Opelika.

April 1st—(Easter Sunday.) Preached at St. Paul's, Greensboro, celebrated the Lord's Supper, and confirmed ten persons.

Afternoon, participated in children's festival, and made an address to them.

This latter occasion was made peculiarly interesting by the fact that the large offerings of the little ones were devoted to the purchase of a very beautiful pulpit, placed in the church to the glory of God and in memory of Mr. Charles L. Stickney, who for forty-two years had been Superintendent of their Sunday School I cannot pass on without stopping to pay my willing and hearty tribute to the memory of this most estimable Christian man. Ever in his place, ever faithful to his duty, ever true to his principles, he exemplified, in his daily walk and in all his relations to society and the church, the character of the true Christian and churchman. The Church at Greensboro has to mourn the recent loss of three most valuable men—R B. Waller, Augustus Benners and Charles L. Stickney—men who let their light shine so that all could see their pure life and good works, and glorify their Heavenly Father. But now they shine in a higher sphere, and, thank God, others are entering into their labors.

April 2d—(Monday in Easter week) Preached again at St. Paul's Church, Greensboro, and celebrated the Supper of the Lord.

April 4th—Preached at St. Mark's, Fork of Greene, and confirmed one person.

April 5th—Held service at St. Stephen's Church, Eutaw, and confirmed one person

The Rev. S. U. Smith, so long the beloved and devoted pastor of this flock, was, at the time, and had been for some months, in a declining state of health, and could not participate in the services of the day

Since writing the above, I have received the sad intelligence of the death of our dear brother. This Council will doubtless take due notice of our loss, and enroll his name among the "Faithful unto death." Loyal to his heart's core to Christ and the Church, unswerving from his convictions of truth and duty, patient beyond most men under provocations, devout and reverential in his piety,

chivalrous in his tone of character, courteous in his demeanor, he exemplified in his life a high type of the Christian gentleman. The Church had no truer or braver son.

April 6th—Preached at St. James' Church, Livingston, and confirmed five persons.

At afternoon service I addressed the congregation, and, at request of the pastor, baptized two infants.

April 8th—(First Sunday after Easter.) Preached at Trinity Church, Demopolis, and confirmed eleven persons.

At afternoon service, participated in children's festival, and addressed them.

April 15th—(Second Sunday after Easter.) Preached at Christ Church, Mobile, and confirmed twenty-six persons. Number confirmed in this Church since last report, thirty-six.

In the afternoon, after sermon by the Rev. Chauncey Williams, of Augusta, Ga., I confirmed, at Trinity Church, Mobile, twelve persons. Number confirmed in this Church during this Conciliar year, forty-eight.

April 18th—Celebrated a marriage service at St. Paul's Church, Spring Hill.

April 22d—(Third Sunday after Easter.) Preached at St. John's, Montgomery.

In the afternoon, preached again, and confirmed twenty-three persons.

The accommodations of this Church have been greatly enlarged by the addition of a chapel in its rear. This chapel is the gift to St. John's from Mr. Josiah Morris—a thank offering to God.

I cannot pass on without paying my willing tribute to the memory of the late Charles T. Pollard, so long a citizen of Montgomery, and Warden of St. John's Church. He welcomed me to his hospitable roof when I first came to the Diocese, and for twenty-six years has been my constant friend. How should I describe him? Most happily I am speaking to his familiar friends, who need no description to bring him to their remembrance Honest in character, true and just in word and deed, comely in person, graceful and dignified in manner, gentle and courteous in speech, reverential and devout in piety, he was the ideal of the Christian gentleman and churchman. He passed through a stormy revolution in the political and social world—experienced sad reverses of fortune,

but left to his children the heritage of a name without reproach or stain.

April 24th.—Preached at the Church of the "Holy Innocents," Auburn

April 25th.—Celebrated the Lord's Supper in same church at the early morning service, I also administered the Holy Supper to a sick person in private. I regret to report this church as vacant, the Rev. Mr. Waddell having removed to another part of the Diocese.

On same day I preached at Emanuel Church, Opelika, and confirmed five persons. Number confirmed this year, ten.

I was greatly gratified and surprised to witness the wonderful improvement wrought upon this church building through the efforts of Rev. Dr. Everhart. I had looked upon its attempted improvement as a hopeless undertaking But it has been made a churchly looking building. The zeal of the few communicants has been rekindled, and new material has been gathered in. I was greatly refreshed by my visit to Opelika

April 26th —Preached at St. Peter's Church, Lowndesboro, and confirmed one person.

April 27th —Preached at St. Andrew's Church, Haynesville, and celebrated the Holy Communion.

April 29th —(Fourth Sunday after Easter.) Preached at St. Paul's, Selma, and confirmed eleven persons.

May 6th.—(Fifth Sunday after Easter.) Preached at St. Paul's, Spring Hill.

May 10th—(Ascension Day.) Participated in divine service at St. John's, Mobile.

May 13th—(Sunday after Ascension.) Preached at St. Paul's, Decatur, morning and evening, confirming fifteen persons and celebrating the Lord's Supper. The growth of this city during the last twelve months has been truly phenomenal. The growth of the church there has been commensurate with that of the population. A comfortable rectory is nearly completed, and the parish has become entirely self-supporting.

May 14th—Preached at St. Timothy's, Athens, and confirmed seven persons.

May 15th—Preached at same church and celebrated Holy Communion

In the afternoon of same day I participated in the burial service

of the late Mrs. L C. Polk, and made an address to the large congregation which had assembled to do honor to the memory of this most estimable lady. On Sunday she worshipped in the little church which she so dearly loved and had so long cherished. After divine service she greeted me with radiant face, and spoke of her great delight in being permitted to see the growth of the church. There was a light in her countenance which, as I now recall it, seemed to be a fore splendoring of the brighter light soon to be manifested. That night, after a few moments' sickness, she entered into Paradise

May 16th—Preached at Trinity Church, Morgan county, and confirmed three persons.

May 17th—Preached at same church, and celebrated Holy Communion. Number of persons presented for confirmation by Rev. Percy Gordon, twenty-five.

May 17th—At evening service same day, preached at St. John's, Tuscumbia, and confirmed four persons

May 18th—Preached again at same church, and celebrated Holy Communion. This church is at this time, without pastoral care.

May 19th—Preached at Trinity Church, Florence, and confirmed three persons.

May 20th—(Whitsunday.) Preached at Grace Church, Sheffield, and celebrated Holy Communion.

At evening service, after a sermon by the Rev. DeB Waddell, I made an address to the confirmation class, and confirmed seven persons.

The church building in this new city is nearly completed, and will soon, I trust, be crowded with earnest worshippers.

May 22d—At Church of the Nativity, Huntsville, after a sermon by the Rev. P A. Fitts, I confirmed fourteen persons.

Thus ended my work for the Conciliar year 1887-88.

The following is a summary of my official acts since our last Annual Session:

Baptisms—Infants, 4	4
Marriages	1
Lay Readers licensed	14
Deacons ordained	1
Churches consecrated	3
Number of persons confirmed	433
Candidates for Holy Orders received	5

I have transferred to other Dioceses as follows, viz:

Rev. Stewart McQueen, to South Carolina; Rev. L. L Williams, (Deacon) to North Carolina.

I have received into the Diocese, Rev. L W. Rose, from Diocese of North Carolina; Rev. Joseph Jameson, from Diocese of Fon du Lac; Rev. J. L. Lancaster, from Diocese of Mississippi; Rev. Robert J. Walker, from Diocese of Iowa; Rev. Charles H. Lockwood, from Diocese of Kentucky

CLERICAL CHANGES WITHIN THE DIOCESE.

The Rev. Obre R. Bourne, (Deacon) has charge of St. Paul's Church, Whistler, and of the Mission Stations at Bon Secour, Fowl River and Grand Bay.

The Rev. J. A. VanHoose has been appointed missionary to Bessemer and Pratt Mines.

The Rev. Joseph Jameson has become rector of St. Peter's Church, Talladega.

The Rev. J. L. Lancaster has became rector of Trinity Church, Mobile.

The Rev. B. F. Mower has given up the charge of St. John's Church, Tuscumbia, and retains the rectorship of Trinity Church, Florence

The Rev. L. W. Rose has become rector of St. Mary's, Birmingham.

The Rev. DeB. Waddell has taken charge at Sheffield and Tuscumbia.

The Rev. Charles H. Lockwood is assistant to rector of Grace Church, Anniston.

The Rev. Robert J. Walker has become rector of St. Wilfrid's, Marion, with charge of mission work at St. Luke's, Martin's Station.

The Rev. W. T. Allen has been appointed to the charge of Gadsden, Jacksonville and Cross Plains

OFFICIAL NOTICES RECEIVED, VIZ.:

Of deposition of S. R. Bailey, by Bishop of Connecticut; of deposition of T. H. Eddy, by Bishop of Quincy; of deposition of W. L. Marks, (Deacon) by Bishop of Connecticut; of deposition of James Davis, by Bishop of Maine; of deposition of R. T Pearson, by Bishop of Long Island; of deposition of W. G. McKinney, (Deacon) by Bishop of North Carolina.

Also, notice of restoration to ministry of Rev. S. R. Bailey, by

Bishop of Connecticut; Christopher T. Denroche, by Bishop of Northern Texas.

Also, that Oscar R. Ebel had ceased to be a candidate for Orders from Bishop of Long Island

I have been invited to attend the approaching Conference of Bishops of the Anglican Communion at Lambeth, but have been constrained to decline the invitation.

STATUS OF CHURCH PROPERTY UNDER MY CHARGE.

Gibson Estate.—Settled before Judge of Probate.

FUND FOR PROPOSED ASYLUM FOR WIDOWS AND ORPHANS AT HUNTSVILLE.

1	Ala. Bond (A) for $1,000, 4 per cent., present value..	$1,070 00
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1	Tenn. Bond for $100 3 per cent.	70 00
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		$2,387 00
	Cash in hand for investment.....	93 64
		$2,480 64

N. B.—I hold, besides, for benefit of same, 36 shares of Madison Turnpike Company stock, of no ascertainable value.

"CHURCH HOME" FUND.

I hold for the benefit of the Church Homes in Mobile, 22 $1,000 Bonds, most of them Registered Bonds (class A) of State of Alabama, costing. $17 223 64

Present market value of said Bonds.. ..... 23,570 00

Besides, I hold in hand for current expenses 1,200 00

I am now projecting a Church Infirmery, to be conducted by the Deaconesses.

Since the establishment of these Homes, we have cared for ninety-seven girls and thirty-one boys. The girls are cared for until eighteen years of age; and after that age, are followed with a maternal solicitude. The boys are put to work at an earlier age.

In addition to the continued increase in value of our vested funds, we add to our real estate continually. The building of an Infirmery will, of course, call for the use of some of our capital.

CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD.

Although the Diocese has not done anything for this church, I report that we are now in possession of a church, rectory and

school, and have recently purchased a suitable building with the view of teaching the children some of the industrial arts of life. Although we have expended more than $10,000, we have on hand for enlarged work, more than $1,000, with no outstanding debt.

One of the Deaconesses, assisted by an inmate of the Church Home, conducts the day school.

Rev. J. L. Tucker, D. D., is Treasurer of the Church Fund.

I give below some data which may serve to enlighten and guide our deliberations.

EXTINCT CHURCHES.

Parish churches extinct by depopulation, viz.: St. Peter's, Lowndes county; St. David's, Dallas county; "St. John's in the Wilderness," Madison county. The latter named had only a nominal and transient existence

CHURCHES REMOVED.

St. Luke's, Cahaba, removed to Martin's Station.

St. John's in the Prairies, removed to Forkland, Greene county.

CHURCH BUILDINGS DESTROYED AND REBUILT.

Emanuel Church, Opelika; Trinity Church, Demopolis; St. Paul's Church, Selma; Church of the Good Shepherd, Mobile; Christ Church, Tuskaloosa—almost entirely renewed and consecrated.

LIST OF NEW CHURCHES BUILT OR PURCHASED SINCE MARCH, 1862.

Anniston, Grace Church	Bon Secour, St. Peter's.
Anniston, Chapel of Glen Addie.	Birmingham, Advent.
Athens, St. Timothy.	Birmingham, St. Mary's.
Auburn, Holy Innocents.	Clayton, Grace.
Cross Plains, Christ.	Dallas County, Grace.
Decatur, St. Paul's.	Evergreen, St. Mary's.
Gainesville, St. Alban's	Hayneville, St. Andrew's.
Huntsville, Memorial Chapel.	Montevallo, ———
Montgomery, Holy Comforter.	Prattville, St. Mark's.
Scottsboro, St. Luke's.	Morgan County, Trinity.
Sheffield, Grace.	Talladega, St. Peter's,
Troy, St. Mark's.	Union Springs, Trinity.
Whistler, St. Paul's.	Columbia, ———
Coalburg, ———	Fowl River, ———

Total number, 28.

Besides, churches are contemplated, and steps taken for constructing them, at Bessemer, Seale, Clanton, and, as I hear, Jasper.

Number of churches in 1862, now standing, 23.

It will appear from the List of Clergy, and that of Churches and Mission Stations, that a greatly extended ministerial service is now being rendered by about the same number of clergy as in 1862. This fact represents a vast deal of work upon the part of our employed clergy. At the same time, it discloses another fact of painful interest—that a great number of our churches are only supplied with occasional ministrations.

It is interesting to note, in this connection, that we have had added, during the year, an unusual number of promising young men to our list of Candidates for Orders. The prayer to the Lord of the harvest, "That He would send forth laborers into his harvest," was no sooner added to our Liturgy than it was graciously answered. Blessed be God's holy name! He is even more ready to hear than we are to pray—poor, unbelieving mortals that we are!

Now, the question comes up for our consideration—and it is one of grave importance—what can we do at this Council in order to meet the opportunities here opened for Church Extension? Shall we run on in the old lines, or shall we prepare to extend them? As yet we touch but a limited area of the State. We have no representation in a majority of the counties composing the State.

In view of this great question, and bearing in mind my increasing years, with the certainty before me of declining strength, I issued a Circular to the Clergy and Laity, bearing date March 15, 1888, and suggesting the election of an Assistant Bishop.

Since the issuing of that Circular, I have been able to gather, directly and indirectly, the views of a majority of the Clergy and Laity of the Diocese upon the subject matter submitted. I find that there is almost entire unanimity of opinion The Diocese does not now desire an Assistant Bishop. I have no desire to press the matter further upon their consideration. If they are satisfied that matters should remain as at present, so be it. I can only say that it has been to me a work and labor of love to minister unto them all these years.

Wherever I go, my labors are lightened by the caring sympathies of clergy and people, and I could ask no higher privilege

than to be enabled to die, as I have tried to live, in their service. Whatever there is left in me, I freely give unto them.

Therefore, I do hereby recall the circular referred to, and in so far as I am concerned, the subject matter thereof is not submitted to the consideration of this Council.

The remainder of my address being of a doctrinal character, and in the form of a Pastoral, will be delivered as the pleasure of the Council may determine. Faithfully yours,

RICH'D H. WILMER,
Bishop of the Diocese of Alabama.

THE WORDS OF CHRIST.

A Pastoral Charge to the Clergy and Laity of the Diocese of Alabama.

"HEAR WHAT OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST SAITH."

DEARLY BELOVED BRETHREN—In concluding this Annual Address, I feel moved to issue a Pastoral upon a subject which has had almost exclusive possession of my thoughts for the year past. I do not presume to think that the view of Christian truth herein presented has any claim to originality—for at this era of time we can hardly expect to meet with a new truth—but this I can truly say, that the subject matter of the present address presents itself to my own mind in an entirely new light, and furnishes, to me at least, the practical and conclusive settlement of many vexed questions.

In dwelling, as I have been called to do of late, upon the matter of Christian Unity, the question constantly presses. "What is the Centre of Unity, and what the guidance and power that can gather the followers of Christ thereunto?"

"This Church" has sent forth through its Bishops a proposed basis of Unity. To our minds it appears to be a reasonable, practical and sufficient basis. But it is not so received by our brethren of the various Christian Communions Objections are being raised upon a particular matter, which we cannot but regard as an indisputable fact, "The Historic Episcopate."

The "Declaration" upon Unity by our House of Bishops does not go into, nor insist upon, any theory in regard to the powers of the Episcopate, nor does it affirm aught in regard to the matter of Apostolic succession, but takes a distinct stand upon the "Historic Episcopate" as a fact—a fact which we could not, if we would, deny—a fact only disputed in modern times—and, furthermore, a fact which, if rejected for want of sufficient proof, would tend to the overthrow of the very evidence upon which the Canonicity of the Holy Scriptures rests—ancient tradition and

catholic consent. They who assail the evidence upon which the Historic Episcopate rests, would do well to pause and consider that the same line of argument, if pursued by Infidels, would subvert the very foundation upon which the authenticity and Canonicity of the Books of the New Testament do rest.

So unquestionable does "This Church" regard this fact, that she has prefaced her Ordinal with the declaration—"It is evident" —not to all men, but—"to all men diligently reading the Holy Scriptures and ancient authors, that from the Apostles' time there have been these Orders in the Church, Bishops, Priests and Deacons."

Notwithstanding, the fact is seriously controverted—conscientiously, we must concede by the law of charity, but intelligently we cannot admit by the law of evidence, for by so doing we would throw a doubt over the credibility of all history.

In view of the prevailing diversity of opinion upon this and kindred questions; and, more vital still, in view of the very grave differences upon doctrinal matters which keep asunder Christian bodies, I have asked myself—"cannot we go beyond the present and even primitive times, when at best the original rays of truth must have suffered some refraction, and cannot we stand in the presence of Christ Himself, and learn from Him, the Great Teacher?"

Suppose—and it is not a violent supposition—that representatives from all the great Christian Communions were to gather around the Master, call a truce, keep still silence before Him and hear His Blessed Words? Are His words dead words? Does He not say, "The words I speak unto you, they are spirit, and they are life?"

St. Peter exclaimed, "Lord, to whom shall we go? Thou hast the words of eternal life!" Our brethren of the Roman obedience could not well decline to stand with their own chosen Apostle. That, indeed, should be holy ground where a true Apostle stands ready to hear the words of the Lord. Our brethren of the extreme Protestant section could not reasonably refuse their presence and withhold their reverence, for "The Bible, and the Bible alone," is their watch-word. What a gathering that would be; what intentness to catcheach word as it fell from the Master's lips; what teachableness of spirit; what carefulness not to offend each other by word, thought or deed in that Sacred Presence!

Ah! can any one doubt that these chosen men would return from such an interview with hearts chastened and minds illuminated with the rays of truth and love that fell upon them, and thus be able to tell their brethren of something they knew not of, or had quite forgotten? And are we not ever in the Divine presence, and does not the Lord still hold converse with His disciples?

We know not how the lost spirit of Unity shall be restored; we know only that it shall be, for we know that discord, strife and disunion are the enemies of Christ, and we are assured that "He shall reign until all enemies are put under His feet."

The mind is altogether bewildered and lost in conjecture as to how, when, and by what instrumentalities the glorious Unity prayed for by our Lord shall be consummated, but this much we do know—that this Unity can centre only in Christ; that the nearer His people follow Him, the closer they will be together in life; that the more they understand His word, the nearer they will be in mind; and the more they love Him the nearer they will be in heart. And when all Christians are thus joined together in heart and mind and life, there will be once more upon this Earth the united body of Christ, "continuing steadfastly in the Apostle's doctrine and fellowship, and in breaking of bread, and in prayers." "One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism, one God and Father of all; to the glory of God the Father." A disunited family is not to the "Glory of the Father."

And not only the Christian man, but the man of science and the student of nature would do well to come to Christ that he may hear "words of Eternal life" Nature—to which the mind of the age seems to turn—speaks grandly of creative power and of natural life. "The Heavens declare the glory of God," and "day unto day uttereth speech and sheweth knowledge" of His creative power, but Nature is silent and uttereth no speech of eternal life. For Nature itself is of time, and has no voice for eternity. Ask of the Heavens above and of the Depths beneath, "What is God?" "how shall we worship Him?" "if a man die, shall he live again?" "if he falls, shall he have a Restorer—a Saviour?" To all such questions—and the heart and mind will ask them—they are as universal as humanity—they will not down at any bidding—Nature makes no response. From her deepest

recesses there comes no echo to the question of all questions—"What am I, and whither am I bound?"

Science, too, speaks wonderfully of the phenomena of natural life, but its sphere is, avowedly, with the material world—the things which can be seen—but it keeps still silence in regard to things unseen; and yet it is the unseen alone that is eternal. In this realm of knowledge, the mightiest effort of the mightiest mind can be nothing more than "a splendid conjecture"

Where then, and to whom, shall we go? I know no answer but that given by the questioner, "Lord, to whom shall we go? Thou hast the words of eternal life." We Christian people are shut up to this alternative: we are bound to receive His word, or to remand ourselves back to darkness!

All that was written of Eternal life before the Advent of Christ converge in Him as rays of light in their focus The visions of prophecy are fulfilled in Him. The sacrifices and symbols of the old Dispensation—which were shadows and types—all become realities and substances in Him, the Great Antetype.

And, equally, all that we learn of Eternal life since His Ascension, whether from Apostles or Fathers, or Councils, radiate from Him. Christ is, therefore, the one luminous point in history. His birth chronicles a new Era in time. As if the world first began to live when he lived, the centuries now take date from His Nativity. The light in which we walk emanates from Him—"The light of the World!"

Therefore it is that, whilst we receive the writings of the Apostles as the testimony of faithful witnesses of the truth received by them from Christ, yet is there a speciality about His words which belongs to no other words—not even the words of the Apostles themselves. They were the streams; He is the Fountain. They received the rays of light from Him. He is the "Light which lighteth every man that cometh into the world." Thus it comes to pass that while His disciples spake the truth, Christ is "The Truth" Their words are inspired words; His words are Inspirations.

One must be struck at the merest glance with the vast difference between the words of all others and those of Him who "spake as never man spake." Take one of his weighty utterances in answer to cries for knowledge—"If a man die shall he live again?"

"I am the Resurrection and the Life," saith the Lord, "He that believeth in Me though he were dead, yet shall he live; and whosoever liveth and believeth in Me shall never die." Not all the discoveries and inventions of all ages can approach in weight or momentousness to this single declaration.

The distinction which I am pressing is strikingly brought out in the comfortable words which call to the Sacred Feast—Alas! that so few of our congregations ever stay to hear them uttered—"Come unto me," saith our Saviour Christ, "all ye that travail and are heavy laden, and I will refresh you." Now hear what St. Paul saith: "This is a true saying, and worthy of all men to be received, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners." St. Paul delivers a true saying, and he speaks a truth which he knows and believes The light, which entered his soul, as he journeyed toward Damascus, was more intense than that which blinded his external vision; but it was a ray only from the "Light of Lights." St. Paul told the weary to go to Christ. Christ says, "Come unto Me." Again, the Apostle said, "Awake, thou that sleepest; arise from the dead, and Christ shall give thee light." Christ said, "I am the Light of the World; he that followeth Me shall not walk in darkness, but shall have the light of life."

And there are weighty reasons for the great distinction upon which I am insisting. Christ spoke for all time. His words supply thought for the Ages. All true development since his day is the development of the mind and heart and life of Humanity upward to His teaching and example And Humanity will never attain its highest possible perfection until the teachings of Christ shall have been unfolded and His life become the Great Exemplar. All moral and religious truths have their germ-life in "The Truth." All the present developments in moral and religious science can be traced to their origin in Him, and are of Him and by Him and through Him; and thus to the Christian men Christ is the "All in all"—"Head over all things to the Church"

Therefore it is that the teachings of the Master cannot be fully understood by any one mind in any one age. Even among the Holy Apostles there could not have been the fullest appreciation of His far reaching Doctrines. For no mind can take in more of truth than it is prepared for by knowledge and experience. The

mind, as the cup, may be full to the overflow, but it can contain only according to its capacity.

For example, St. James, in his Epistle, dwells mostly upon the practical duties of the Christian life. He enters minutely into its details, and treats of the government of the tongue and kindred matters, all of which the church greatly needs to know. He dwells, also, upon the fruits of faith, rightly counting dead the faith which bears no fruits of Holiness. This seems to have been his special mission—perhaps the truth just then most needed by those to whom he wrote.

On the other hand, St. Paul, whilst equally enforcing practical duty, goes down deeper—to the root of the matter—the *faith* from which all good fruit must spring. Bred in the schools of philosophy, and specially gifted and illuminated, he discourses of the deep things of God—of His eternal purposes and decrees. He makes no attempt to reconcile the determinate counsels of the Almighty with the free will of man. He makes no attempt to show the harmony of forces where the point of harmony lies far beyond the ken of man. He was too profound to make this effort, which has attracted inferior minds in every age. No! he is content with affirming principles which lie at the foundation of the mighty plans of the Supreme Ruler—principles without which government, to any definite extent, would be impossible. And, therefore, very naturally, we find St. Peter, a man of plainer intellect, who never dealt with questions of that degree—a plain but honest and truth-telling man was he—speaking of some things in his brother Paul's writings as "hard to be understood."

You see the same difference of mental structure in the Evangelists. St. Matthew, for example, opens his narration of the life of Christ with an account of His human genealogy, and traces His lineage to the House of David. This Apostle was evidently a man of method and detail, as we may infer from his having been called to the ministry from the "receipt of custom." Such men are greatly needed, and their function is an important one. They collect the facts of history, and enrich us with the knowledge of the past. There are many minds which would be more effectually reached and persuaded by a true genealogical record than by the deeper revelations of St. John.

On the other hand, St. John, an Apostle of higher tone and type, who lived in closer relations to the Master, lying on the

bosom of his Lord, with ear ready to catch his every word, seemed to drink in richer and deeper truth In the outset of his Gospel, he plunges into the Profound. "In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God." The same Apostle it is who gives us the deep communings of our Lord with His disciples, as He tells them of His speedy departure and the coming of the Comforter. To the same Apostle, also, were vouchsafed visions of the future ages and the final consummation Many complain that St. John is mystical, and his philosophy obscure We live too low to understand St. John. But I have ever been struck with the fact that in our deepest sorrows we turn to his pages; and the dying saint is ever wont to refresh his fainting spirit with the water of life which this Evangelist holds to his lips.

Each Apostle—as is the wont of witnesses in general—seems to have taken note and made record of that truth or incident which most struck his individuality—each testifying honestly to the truth, but to that aspect of the truth which impressed him and dwelt in his memory. This accounts for the varied, but not conflicting, statements of the Evangelists. The collected testimony, as has been fully shown by many writers, makes up the Harmony of the Gospels.

And there is another cause of diversity, not only in mental structure, which has divided the church into schools of speculative Theology, but in the different degrees of spirituality attained by the sacred writers. Not all men, not even all Apostles, are equally spiritually minded; and the mind can only apprehend spiritual truth as it is prepared to understand and receive it. We have a striking exemplification in the account of the Transfiguration of our Lord. Three only of the Apostles were privileged to behold that wondrous Epiphany. Where were the other nine Apostles? In the valley below, shorn of their power, and hopelessly disputing with the multitude, which made a mock of their impotency. The same thing, alas! is going on now: evil possessing the souls of men; a ministry disputing with the scribes, and shorn of their powers, whilst poor humanity seems possessed by the Evil One The three Apostles in the Mount saw a wondrous Glory in their Master, and could tell of it to their fellow-men. The other nine failed to witness it, and could only testify

to it upon hearsay—too much the case with us, my brethren of the ministry.

St. Paul, too, was caught up and beheld visions of unspeakable glory; but to see what Paul saw, one must live as St. Paul lived.

Now, all these differences of which I speak do not, in any wise, impeach or disparage the truthfulness or inspiration of any of the sacred writers. They were all faithful witnesses—most of them even unto death—and truly testified to what they saw, and, as far as they could, received the truth, each after his own kind and manner. The Light shone upon them all, and they reflected it according to the measure of their fitness and capacity.

And there was need of all this diversity, in order to meet the wants of a very diverse world to which they were sent. The World is made up of all sorts of minds—some deeply impressed by one aspect of truth, some by another; some dwelling, fondly and profitably withal, upon the simple narratives of our Lord's kindness and sympathy, and some few longing to gaze upon the radiance of His glory. It is not the advanced scholar that makes the best teacher of untutored minds. There are minds that turn from all strong meats; there are babes in Christ, who must be fed upon the milk of the Word; and there are also strong men, who demand strong meat. "In the Ocean of Divine Truth," says one, "there are shoals where lambs may wade, and depths where elephants must swim."

Some minds have found their deepest inspiration in the thought that "God was ever working in them of His own good will and pleasure." Such minds turn naturally and lovingly to the epistles of St. Paul, and at times have pushed his teachings to the extreme of ignoring the freedom of the human will. Such men have made their mark in the world, for they lived under the inspiration of a grand idea. Other minds, while not failing to recognize the need of the grace of God working in them, have wrought out noble lives under the force of a conviction that they themselves had a work to do and a "salvation to work out." The whole truth, larger than either part, embraces both, for this whole truth is rather comprehensive than intermediate—rather embraces both extremes than lies between. Thus in Revelation, as in Nature, we find, amid manifold diversities, the same great law of Unity. There is no conflict nor contradiction, but perfect harmony. The light as it

shone upon the Apostles took its hue from the individuality of each Thus it was refracted, and consequently we have presented the varied hues of the Spectrum. Had we the power to re-compose these scattered rays of light, we would have some approximation to pure sunlight—"The Light which lighteth every man that cometh into the world." This brings us to the

VERY WORDS OF CHRIST, HIMSELF.

Let us place ourselves in His sacred presence, and ask of Him the great questions which stir the heart of Christendom:

What is God? How must He be worshipped?

The answer comes as a ray of sunlight: "God is a spirit; and they that worship Him must worship Him in spirit and in truth." That question is settled definitely for the Christian man. Worship of the Most High without the spirit and the truth receives its death blow.

Again: Unto what likeness shall we compare the Almighty? Saith Christ: "Hast thou been so long with Me and hast thou not known Me, Philip?" "He that hath seen Me hath seen the Father" There is no room for doubt "God manifest in the flesh," as St. Paul interpreted it. "The only begotten Son, which is in the bosom of the Father, He hath declared Him," as delivered unto us from St. John.

ENTRANCE INTO CHRIST'S KINGDOM.

What does our Lord declare, and what are we, His embassadors, to teach? We are all in the Kingdom of Nature by virtue of our first birth—our birth after the flesh. How must we enter by a second birth into the Kingdom of Heaven? The words of Christ come to us as pure, unrefracted sunlight: "Verily, verily, I say unto you, Except a man be born of water and of the Spirit he cannot enter into the kingdom of God." That question is settled and ruled by Supreme Authority, and is, therefore, not to be discussed among disciples of Christ. As to what the Lord of the Kingdom may dispense with in the case of those who, either through ignorance, false teaching lack of opportunity, or a mistaken sense of unworthiness, do fail of this second birth, we are not advised. The Sovereign is not limited by his instructions to His Embassadors, but the Embassadors are so limited. All questions of this description are properly relegated to the Lord of life and death. We leave them all undoubtingly in His hands, for the Lord is good and gracious and full of compassion; "and His

mercy is from Everlasting to Everlasting." Beyond the reveal word, we have no instructions. We may have opinions, and, called upon to declare them, we should have a care to announ them as our opinions, but we have no instructions. It would p an end to much profitless, ambitious and even audacious preac ing, if the ministry of Christ would busy themselves more wi studying and preaching Christ; and we might in a larger measure s the fruits of our ministry, if, as did the early Evangelists, w preached Christ to our people. Christ was the "wisdom a power of God" unto Salvation in the early ages of the church, a "He is the same, Yesterday, To-day and Forever."

THE SUPPER OF THE LORD.

Intimately connected with the Sacrament of Baptism, is t other Sacrament of "the Supper of the Lord." The Account its Institution is very simple and very short. The words of o Lord are few, yet over the meaning of these few words the chur has been convulsed, kingdoms have fought over them, multitud have died for their several interpretations of them. Unlike so other matters treated of in this charge, the controversy is abo the meaning of the words of Christ Himself. I would, therefor fain excuse myself for omitting them, if I could feel that I w warranted in so doing.

I take the account of the Institution from the gospel of S Matthew. The variations in the accounts of the several Evang lists are not at all material.

"And as they were eating" (The Passover) "Jesus took brea and blessed it, and brake it, and gave it to the disciples, and sai Take, eat; this is my body."

"And He took the cup, and gave thanks, and gave it to the saying, 'Drink ye all, of it. For this is my blood of the Ne Testament, which is shed for many for the remission of sins.'"

I approach the consideration of these words with extreme dif dence and awe. We stand in the presence of words which hav had no full determination as to their entire meaning by The Cath lic Church. There has been no consensus of all branches of th Catholic Church, nor of the great Divines thereof, as to their fu meaning. Strictly speaking, there is no Catholic view of the mod of Christ's presence in this Sacrament. Unquestionably, ther must be a sense in which the words, "This is my body," must b

received by every believer, but in what sense lies the great difficulty? It were very easy to settle the question, if we could take the words of Christ in their extremest literal meaning, but how is this possible? The body of Christ, at that moment of speaking, was a mortal body, and did soon die. Was it then of His mortal body of which His disciples were to take and eat? Who is prepared to affirm this? If then, it be said that He spake of His glorified body, the extreme literal interpretation cannot hold, for He declares of the broken bread, not "this is the body that *shall be*," but "this *is* my body."

It is, therefore, clearly impossible to interpret literally the words of our Lord as referring either to His mortal or His glorified body; for by so doing, we should be compelled to believe that what will be then is now. The mind can surrender itself to matters above its reasoning powers, but it degrades itself by accepting anything contradictory to reason or the senses. These are the avenues through which God Himself speaks to us. Reason and Faith alike would lose their landmarks, and there would be no starting point for either.

Besides, "there is a natural body and there is a spiritual body;" of which does our Lord speak? He does not say. But does not Christ interpret his own words? Most certainly, as I think, He does. We turn to the memorable chapter (vi) of St. John's Gospel. In that chapter Our Lord discourses concerning Himself as the Bread "which came down from Heaven;" declaring that "Whoso eateth my flesh and drinketh my blood hath Eternal life and I will raise him up in the last day." Marvellous words are these, and it will be profitable to note how they were received and interpreted by the various classes of hearers

The unbelieving Jew understood them in a gross materialistic sense. "How can this man give us His flesh to eat?" It would hardly do to take the Jewish misconception as the true interpretation of our Lord's words.

Some of our Lord's disciples, taking literally the words of their Master, "murmured at them, and went back and walked no more after him." It would hardly do to take the conception of the half-hearted follower of Christ as the true interpretation of his Master's teaching.

Now, hear what our Lord Jesus Christ saith in this connection. The mists are scattered and dispersed as by sunlight. "What,

and if ye shall see the Son of Man ascend up where He was be fore?" — referring, beyond controversy, to His Ascension and th coming of "The Comforter." "It is the Spirit that quickeneth the flesh profiteth nothing. The words that I speak unto you they are spirit and they are life."

It is most noteworthy that, just then, when these word were uttered, "many of His disciples went back and walke no more after Him;" and, also that just then, when our Lor turned to the twelve and asked, "will ye also go away?" S Peter uttered the words which are serving us as a text, "Lorc to whom shall we go? Thou hast the words of eternal life.

Here was a revelation to the faithful follower and to th church in all ages—"The flesh profiteth nothing: it is th spirit that quickeneth." This is the great vital and distin guishing truth of the Christian dispensation—as is luminousl set forth by St. Paul in his Epistle to the Hebrews. Th words of Christ are the inspiration of that Epistle.

Whatever then be our theories of the life that is in Christ or of the means and appliances for sustaining that life, thi much is beyond dispute—

"IT IS THE SPIRIT THAT QUICKENETH."

We must distinguish most clearly—a distinction often los sight of—between the vital principle—Life itself—and th means of sustaining life. Bread sustains life, but bread is no life; men die daily whose houses are full of bread.

They who make the Incarnation the starting point in thei theological system, must go deeper still, even to "the Lor and Giver of Life." For the Incarnation itself is a produc of that life giving power. We formulate this and rehearse i in the Creed, "Conceived by the Holy Ghost"—"incarnat by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary."

We are now brought by natural sequence to that wonder ful conversation of our Lord with His disciples just befor His ascension into Heaven. He told his sorrowing followers "it is expedient for you that I go away; for if I go no away, the Comforter will not come, but if I depart I will sen Him unto you." Hitherto they had only known Christ afte the flesh, and it seems that, in the Economy of Grace, the could only know Him after the Spirit by His departure fron their presence, and the revelation of The Comforter. "Th Holy Ghost proceeding from the Father and the Son" was t reveal to them both the Father and the Son, and thus was t

be inaugurated the Dispensation of the Spirit—which is the present Dispensation of the Church.

I might just here call you to note how vain must be all our efforts to try and supplement the appliances of spiritual life by bringing into our worship the representation of Christ's appearance on earth in the way of pictures and crucifixes, in order to heighten our devotion and inflame our love. One question seems sufficient to settle all that controversy: "If Christ's own visible presence upon earth had to be withdrawn in order that His disciples might know Him after the Spirit, how worse than vain is it for us to try and bring back by our own poor representations, some idea of His likeness after the flesh?" Yet there have always been those who seem content to know Christ after the flesh—ever as an infant in the arms of His mother. Such persons will always continue infants in knowledge, or drift into hopeless senility.

I may have apparently, though not really, digressed from the particular point in hand—the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper. The office and work of the Holy Spirit is an integral element in any full consideration of this Sacrament. This is true also of the Sacrament of Baptism by water and the Holy Ghost. The Quickening Spirit permeates, like life, through all Nature and Revelation—through all the Offices, Sacraments and Ordinals. Without that Divine life, we are but as dead men, and in our ministry there can be no life. What ails our brethren of the Oriental churches? They have the Word, the Sacrament, the Liturgy and the Ministry—the Golden Candlestick—but alas! their light seems to have gone out. The Spirit of God seemeth not to move upon the face of the deep, and darkness and chaos reign once more.

To sum up briefly—all that I have been able to gather from the words of Christ—and as, I think, "this church hath received the same"—is that we do receive His body and blood in the Holy Sacrament "after a spiritual and heavenly manner." And yet how little do we understand of the meaning of such words! Beyond this, I do not attempt to go in the way of explanation. For many years, when my mind was more vigorous and inquisitive, I tried to reach some rationale of the subject matter, but signally failed. My only consolation is that greater minds, so far as I have been able to follow them, have experienced a like failure. It seems to be one of those matters beyond our ken. It relates to the mode of the Divine subsistence and to the manner of receiving grace—matters of which we know next to nothing. And

if I read the lucubrations of others, as I have read them, to weariness and confusion and—"*usque ad nauseum*," so grossly materialistic are the ideas of a certain class of minds—still I find no satisfying solution.

You may go along the whole line of discussion, from extreme Zwinglianism, which regards the Holy Supper of the Body and Blood of Christ as a mere recalling to mind the death and passion of our Lord; you may proceed on through Lutheranism, which teaches a consubstantiation, or co-dwelling of the body and blood of Christ with the sacred symbols of bread and wine; and thence advance to Transubstantiation which teaches that the sacred elements, by virtue of consecration, do become the veritable body and blood of Christ, and, as such, are to be adored as Christ Himself; and between these three salient points of belief you may find any and every shade of opinion and theory that the mind can invent or suggest. What shall I say? I cannot dogmatize—it would be arrogance supreme.

In view of all this diversity of thought, I have concluded for my own part, that the rationale of this whole matter—for it amounts to that—and the rationalizing spirit of the times speaks in the pulpit and at the altar alike of this Sacrament, is barred by the statute of limitation, and the limitation is in the human faculty, which has no jurisdiction in matters beyond its ken.

If we turn to the office of Holy Communion in the Book of Common Prayer, we find expressions, warranted by Holy writ, which, taken apart from the rest, seem to favor the most advanced views of this Sacrament — to use the current language of the day. (The word of God itself is not exempt from this same liability.) A part of a truth is oft a great falsehood. Yet, at the same time, it cannot be denied that the whole tenor of the Communion office is to this effect — that what is imparted to, and received by, the devout Communicant is "after a spiritual and heavenly manner." Viewed in the light of history, such is beyond controversy the teaching of this church. In the Post Communion prayer, we are taught to "heartily thank the Almighty and Everliving God" for that He hath "vouchsafed to feed us who have duly received these holy mysteries with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and blood of thy son, our Saviour Jesus Christ." And, still more dogmatically, in the 28th of the XXXIX Articles — which, say what we will about them must carry more weight of authority than the opinion of any

individual divine, or of any school of thought in the church — we find this language: "The Body of Christ is given, taken and eaten in the Supper, only after a heavenly and spiritual manner. And the means, whereby the Body of Christ is received and eaten in the Supper is faith."

Of one thing we should feel well assured — I cannot imagine there should be any dissent — that whatever theory we may hold in regard to the mode of Christ's presence in the Holy Supper, the benefit to the receiver must depend upon the measure of faith, penitence and charity with which he communicates. This is so implied in the catechism, which requires that "they should examine themselves whether they repent truly of their former sins; steadfastly purposing to lead a new life; have a lively faith in God's mercy through Christ; and be in charity with all men."

Of the same import is the Exhortation at the time of communicating: "Consider how St. Paul exhorteth all persons diligently to try and examine themselves before they presume to eat of that bread and drink of that cup," etc. "Examine themselves!" That much is very clear. We are all able to do this much, and we should derive much benefit thereby. If we attempt to pry into the mysteries — and natural as well as spiritual life has its mysteries — we get beyond our depth, and are lost in a sea of speculation — a state of mind not favorable to devotion.

Realizing all this, after many years of study and reflection, I have reached this conclusion—I speak for myself: "I cannot comprehend nor explain the mode of Christ's presence in this Holy Sacrament, nor can I comprehend how the grace conveyed thereby is imparted, but I can comprehend all that is given me to do in order that I may become a worthy partaker of "those Holy Mysteries." I can repent, I can believe, I can forgive, I can adore. Here my mind finds rest. I look up, confidingly, to Him, who bids me "come unto Him." Hungry and thirsty, I look to Him to refresh me. I cry unto Him, the "Bread of Life," "Lord, Evermore give us this Bread;" and do "take and eat this, His Body, and feed on Him in my heart by faith, with thansgiving;" and do drink this (His Blood) "in remembrance that Christ's Blood was shed for me and am thankful."

In conclusion, I press this one thought: Christ declares that "God is a spirit" and to be "worshipped in spirit." If so, then the higher the worship, the more spiritual it should be. If then the worship in the "Supper of the Lord" be the

highest act of worship rendered unto Christ, how intensely "after a spiritual and heavenly" manner should be our worship in that Holy Celebration?

THE EFFICACY OF PRAYER, AND ITS MANNER.

There is much skepticism in regard to prayer. To whom shall we go to learn about prayer? Not to the agnostic, for with perfect consistency he avows his ignorance. Not to the men of science, for, whilst some in our day have proposed to test its efficacy, they have no data for the experiment. We must follow the rule which governs us in the acquirement of all knowledge. We sit at the feet of Him who knows and can teach. The art of navigation we learn from the sailor—the art of war from the soldier. Hence, we go to the Man of Prayer — to Him who spent whole nights in prayer — to learn the reality and the manner of prayer.

We sit at the feet of the Great Teacher and ask the question: "Is there answer from on high to the cry of mortals upon Earth?" The answer comes back like the light of the sun: "Ask and ye shall receive; seek and ye shall find; knock, and it shall be opened unto you." We ask again: "Lord, teach us how to pray." After this manner pray ye and say, "Our Father, which art in Heaven."

How like sunshine is His teaching! He comes to us in our homes and hearts, talks to us as to children—and children we all are in respect of Divine knowledge—asks us questions like these: "Which of you, if your son shall ask bread, will he give him a stone, or if he ask a fish, will he offer him a serpent? If ye then, being evil, know how to give good gifts unto your children, how much more shall your Heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to them that ask Him?"

Moreover, He tells us after what manner to pray: "When ye pray, say 'Our Father which art in Heaven. Hallowed be thy Name; thy kingdom come, thy will be done,'" etc. As if to say, "in your worship think first of the honor and glory of the Father, then ask for your daily bread and forgiveness and deliverance from evil." What a Revelation! What untutored heart ever knew how to pray after this manner. The "will of the Father" first, and the "coming of His kingdom." All else is subordinate. Adoration comes before supplication. Our Lord here gives us the keynote of worship. Alas! worship is almost extinct, and prayers are offered before man—for men's needs or glory—and not to "the Father of an infinite Majesty." If our hearts were rightly tuned, we should need no other prayer than "The Lord's Prayer." The whole aim

and purpose of life is in this prayer breathed into adoring worship. "Seek ye first"—first in prayer as in life—"the kingdom of God and His Righteousness, and all these things"—such as food and raiment—"shall be added unto you."

It is, therefore, with no ordinary meaning or emphasis that the church insists so constantly and urgently upon her children being taught "The Lord's Prayer," as one of the elementary parts of Christian knowledge. The prayer of the natural heart is ever, "Grant me my heart's desire," "indulge me in my will." And when such prayer is not answered—for "Our Father" loves us too well to answer such petitions—then the spirit of unbelief is aroused, and prayer is restrained and its efficacy, perhaps, denied—a state of mind fearfully prevalent in our midst.

Christian people fall into error, in this and many other matters, from viewing only a part of the truth—a part of the truth being often a great falsehood. They read, for example, "All things whatsoever ye shall ask of the Father in My Name, He will give it you." This is but a part of the truth, and it would be fearful, in view of our impatient desires and wills, to think that all our petitions would be granted. There is another part of the truth which supplements and completes it. "After this manner pray ye." The whole truth as it comes from the words of Christ—and a gracious and all-sufficing truth it is—"All things whatsoever ye shall ask the Father in My Name, after this manner, He will give it you."

Herein is a clear, but great, revelation—one which our people greatly need to reprove their unbelief and inspire a true devotion. How perfectly does the Church in all her offices supply our needs by making the prayer of our Lord the sum, substance and keynote of all her worship, from that at the Font to the service at the grave! Turn from the untutored and unstudied petition of the heart, where the individual needs fill the whole field of vision and aspiration, and whose keynote is ever wont to be, "That it may please me, O, Father," and take up the Liturgy formed after the model given by our Lord, and see how perfectly all our worship is formed after "this manner;" and the cry goes up ever, "That it may please Thee, O, Father," "if it seems good to Thee, Father!" There will be a great step towards Christian unity when all the disciples of Christ shall gather around the Master and ask Him, as did the disciples of old, "Lord, teach us to pray, as John also did his disciples."

WORSHIP DUE TO GOD ALONE.

Intimately connected with these thoughts on prayer, is the question, "May we worship any but God?" We come with this question to Christ. His answer comes to us clear and distinct as a sunbeam—"Thou shalt worship the Lord thy God, and Him only shalt thou serve." That question is settled for the disciple of Christ.

But may we not pay devotion to the saints—especially to the Blessed Virgin? This is a question of grave importance, especially in view of the fact that the largest community of Christians on earth renders to her a marked devotion and homage. We are well aware of the distinction which is attempted to be drawn between the devotion due to the Virgin and that which is due to the Almighty, but it requires a faculty of discrimination not possessed by the great mass of worshippers, to be able to define so subtle a distinction.

Take up such a book as "The Glories of Mary"—a work published under authority—and read the titles given her and the powers and attributes ascribed to her—titles, some of which my lips could not utter. The prayers daily offered to her from the rising to the setting of the sun, if they are to be effectual, must imply a belief in her omnipresence and omniscience. Then call to mind the fact that in our day the Blessed Virgin has been, by an authority deemed infallible, proclaimed "Immaculate"—without spot of sin; and that the proclamation has been formulated and made an article of The Faith.

What shall we say? To whom shall we refer this matter? "Lord, to whom shall we go?" What saith Christ of His mother? We go back behind the Centuries, and stand in His sacred presence and hear His words. They come clear and distinct as unrefracted light.

I note briefly His words in response to His mother's chiding for His having tarried behind at Jerusalem—and they are his first recorded words, if I remember well—"Wist ye not, I must be about my Father's business?" These words assuredly imply that His mother had not yet taken in the thought of Her Son's Divine Mission and Nature. And His words declare to her that the "Father's business" was the supreme rule of His life—taking precedence of all other, even filial, duty.

I note briefly also the incident recorded in the account of the marriage in Cana of Galilee, when the mother intervened because of the want of wine His reply to her—"Woman," (or mother, as some translate it) "what have I to do with

thee?"—were assuredly not irreverent, but they do teach with great distinctness, that between Him and the Divine power which He was about to exercise, there must be no human—not even His mother's—intervention. In the light of Christ's words how can such stress be laid, as is laid by some, upon the necessity of the Virgin's intervention? A volume could furnish no further light than do these few words of our Lord. It was again, "His Father's business that He was about."

I come now to two special incidents which illumine the whole subject. On a certain occasion, as our Lord was discoursing, a woman of the Company—so natural in woman—lifted up her voice and said, "Blessed is the womb that bare thee, and the paps which thou hast sucked!" What were the words of Christ in reply? If He had meant that His mother should be exalted to such homage, as is now rendered her by millions of His followers, could there have been a more fitting occasion for Him to have made proclamation of the fact? What were His words? "Yea, rather, blessed are they that hear the word of God and keep it." What a Revelation! Obedience to God's word, more blessed than Christ's earthly motherhood.

And, again, when upon another occasion, He was discoursing to the multitude, they that sat about Him said unto Him: "Thy mother and thy brethren without seek for Thee." And He answered them, saying, "Who is my mother or my brethren?" And He looked round about on them which sat about Him, and said: "Behold my mother and my brethren. For whosoever shall do the will of God, the same is my brother, and my sister, and my mother."

Now, the failure to recognize in a moment, the presence of His mother and brethren, rises to something which takes precedence of all questions of decorum, for Christ was speaking to the Ages after Him. Now was the opportunity to declare a great truth, for purity of Doctrine and Worship were involved. He knew what was in man, and how man ever tended to worship the Creature more than the Creator, and He gave utterance to the mighty words, that obedience to the will of the Father was man's supreme concern and blessedness. What a revelation? It was "The Father's business" that He was about. "The Father's Word" that He was proclaiming—all summed up in His teaching: When ye pray, say "Our Father," not "Our Mother."

This was the Key-note of His life and doctrine. No other

note is struck in Holy Scripture. All else is merged in this sublime truth. The Will of the Father is the weal of the universe. Obedience to that will is the supreme bond of relationship. "The same is my brother, and my sister, and mother."

Why cannot we mount up somewhere near the light of Christ's words? Why cannot we take in deeper views of His Divine Incarnation? That He was not so much a man as that He was Man—Deity and Humanity incarnate; not only the son of a woman, but the "Son of Man," as He styles Himself. This was manifestly His thought as He looked round upon the multitude while His mother and brethren stood without, and asked: "Who is my mother and my brethren?" Disengaging Himself, as it were, from individual and home relationship, and linking Himself in with Universal Humanity—He became at once the manifestation of the Fatherhood and the realization of the Brotherhood.

The Holy Church — Primitive and Catholic — has ever paid fitting honor to the Blessed Virgin. She ever joins in with the Salutation of the Angel: "Hail thou that are highly favored. The Lord is with thee. Blessed art thou among women." Her sign is in the Firmament, brightly shining amid the constellations of the Holy Prophets, Apostles and Martyrs, and we fulfill her own prophecy, "All generations shall call me blessed." But farther, the true Catholic cannot go. We shall only belittle her by unduly exhalting her. Therefore, it is that we join her in her own hymn of the "Magnificat:"

> "My soul doth magnify the Lord;
> And my Spirit hath rejoiced in
> God, My Saviour."

Yes, "God, My Saviour;" for while He was born of the Virgin, She was Saved by the travail of His soul.

THE MINISTRY OF THE CHURCH.

I take up, briefly, the subject of the Ministry — its origin, its authority, and its perpetuity.

In this Era of Democratic ideas, it is most natural that the popular mind should, consciously or unconsciously, apply to the Church the same theory of government that pertains to the State, whereby all power proceeds from the people, and the voice of a majority is supreme in all human affairs. Everything tends manward; nothing is God derived. The voice of the people is practically the voice of God, notwith-

standing the admonition from Heaven, "Let all the Earth Keep silence before Him."

But I am speaking of something that men did not create — "The Kingdom of God." Nature has her laws, and no created thing can violate them with impunity. Men create kingdoms, establish constitutions, enact laws, perish and pass out of view. I am not speaking of perishable things. I am speaking of the "Kingdom of Heaven" — a Kingdom not of this world, either in origin, claim, or destiny.

What are the words and deeds of Christ in reference to those who shall rule and minister in His Kingdom? He is the Lord of that Kingdom. He hath the Keys and "shutteth and no man openeth; and openeth and no man shutteth." They are few, but clear as the light at noon-day. Just before His Ascension, He gathers His Apostles around Him. He had already told them, "Ye have not chosen Me, but I have chosen you, and ordained you." He now proceeds to speak to them more at length, and with more emphasis in word and deed. He gives them, first, ocular demonstration of His own identity. He showed them His hands and His side. He then speaks the decisive words, "Peace be unto you; as the Father hath sent Me, even so send I you." And when He had said this, He breathed on them, and saith unto them, "Receive Ye the Holy Ghost. Whosoever sins ye remit, they are remitted unto them: and whosoever sins ye retain, they are retained."

These words carry us back to the scene when Christ was formally, and visibly, audibly, and Sacramentally sent, and sealed of the Father. It was at His baptism, when the Heaven was opened and the Holy Ghost descended in a bodily shape, like a dove upon Him, and a voice came from Heaven, which said, "This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased." Thus, as He declared, His apostles were sent even as He was sent. "Receive Ye the Holy Ghost." This is St. John's account. St. Matthew gives the language of their commission: "Go ye therefore and teach all nations;" * * * "and lo, I am with you always"—through all time—"even unto the end of the world." Most wonderfully has this promise been fulfilled. If there be any large territory in India, Asia, Africa or America, where Bishops, tracing their lineage from the Apostolic College, do not hold jurisdiction, I find it not on the map of the world; and if any great nation of people has been converted to Christianity, save in connection with Episcopal auspices, I read not of it in history.

The Church is not a matter of constitutions and compacts and laws, and usages; although it has all these. It is a living Temple, built on living stones; its foundation being (the living stones first laid) Prophets and Apostles — Christ, Himself, the chief Corner Stone. Its ministry stands to-day indisputable as to its origin, unquestionable as to its authority and indestructible as to its perpetuity. The words of Christ give the warranty. "Because I live, ye shall live also."

ST. PETER, THE APOSTLE.

I cannot properly leave the question of the "Apostolical Commission," without bringing forward the words of Christ in reference to one of His Apostles — St. Peter. The Bishop of Rome lays claim to universal supremacy in the Church, by virtue of certain words addressed by our Lord to this named Apostle. Upon a certain occasion, St. Peter made a noble confession of Christ. Our Lord said unto him, "Thou art Peter, and upon this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hell shall not prevail against it." Words, upon the interpretation of which, whole libraries have been written They have caused a controversy which has plunged nations into war, divided families asunder, and rended the church by a schism which even now yawns as an impassable abyss — "a great gulf" seemingly "fixed." It is a controversy over the meaning of Christ's words, for which they surely are not responsible. These words gave rise to no such disastrous consequences for many centuries after they were uttered, and are no more responsible for the angry passions which they have since excited, than is the Sun in the Heavens for the disputes among Astronomers concerning the true theory of the Solar System.

If it be claimed that these words must be taken literally, apart from the light, which subsequent history sheds upon their interpretation, then what shall we do with those other words addressed to St. Peter, and equally plain: "Get thee behind Me, Satan; thou art an offence unto Me, for thou savorest not the things that be of God, but those that be of men." — (Matt. xvi. 23.) If the literal reading be insisted on then, by an easy and familiar substitution of terms, we might read: "Peter (or Satan) the Rock on which the church was builded." A fearful but inevitable conclusion, if the literal interpretation be strictly pressed.

But, suppose, it be granted that Our Lord did give St. Peter a marked distinction and pre-eminency among the Apostles as a signal recognition of his striking confession —

"Thou art The Christ, the Son of the living God"—by what law of inheritance, by what rule of logic, or by what fact of history, can a Bishop of Rome lay claim to the same distinction? The whole of this question, between the Catholic and Roman Catholic, is reducible to this single inquiry. If the question be viewed logically, there is a serious gap and a fatal assumption between the Premises and Conclusion. The syllogism would have to run thus: "Our Lord gave to St. Peter a pre-eminence among the Apostles. Now, St. Peter was Bishop of Rome. Therefore, all Bishops of Rome enjoy the same pre-eminence above other Bishops." This is a syllogism in which the major premise is granted for the sake of argument, and the minor premise assumes as true a much disputed (by no means settled) question of history, involving a most inconsequential conclusion; yet, upon such a conclusion, rests the whole fabric of Papal pretensions. Thus the question appears from a logical stand-point.

How does it appear in the light of history? Our first authentic church history, after the Ascension of Christ, is a book in the hands, or in the reach, of all our people. I wonder that so few of our people make it their study. From this history, it is established beyond all question, that whilst St. Peter was prominent among his brethren of the Apostolate, by reason of his zeal, courage and devotion; and by reason, moreover — we have no difficulty in admitting — of his having been singled out to open the door to the Gentiles, it does not appear anywhere in the history of the "Acts of the Apostles" that he claimed, or attempted to exercise official precedence. On the contrary, when the first Council of the Church was called together at Jerusalem (the mother church) to settle some vexed questions, St. James, the Bishop of Jerusalem, presided. St. Peter took his place among the other Apostles, and gave his opinion upon the matter under deliberation. St. James, on the other hand, summed up the deliberations with these weighty words: "Wherefore, my sentence is" etc. Suppose St. Peter had been in St. James' place and uttered those words, it would not be difficult to assign him a marked pre-eminence, but how it could enure to the dignity of a Bishop of Rome, it is hard to see.

Now, in order to get at the full force of these historical and undisputed facts, let us suppose that to-day a Council of the Church were to assemble, and the Bishop of Rome were to appear and take his seat in Council, whilst another Bishop presided and gave sentence. If he be, as he alleges, the suc-

cessor of St. Peter, why should he shrink from occupying a similar position with his forerunner? Can he be supposed to demean himself by so doing? "Upon what meats hath he fed" so as to be greater than his predecessor?

No! Rome is not the mother church—not the oldest church—and, sorry am I to say it, not doing the part which by her zeal and power she is fitted to do for this generation. No; when the final consummation of all things is at hand, and there shall be new Heavens and a new Earth, the church will come "down from God out of Heaven, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband," and her bridal name will be the "New Jerusalem," "which is free and is the mother of us all."

We pass on to another subject—the state of the departed—and first,

THE INTERMEDIATE STATE.

There is much ignorance and confusion of thought upon this subject among Christian people, and even among teachers who are in other matters better instructed. Outside of the Historic Catholic Church, which retains the ancient faith and ever solemnly rehearses it, we rarely meet with ideas of the state of the departed which harmonize with the teachings of of our Lord. We are ever hearing in sermons, obituaries and common discourse, about the perfect felicity of those who have passed from this mortal state into the bliss of Heaven. There is no warranty for such teaching in the word of God. The words of Christ do most emphatically declare, "No man hath ascended up to Heaven, but He that came down from Heaven, even the Son of Man which is in Heaven." He led the way which all His disciples must follow. After death He "went into the place of departed spirits." To the penitent thief He declared, "This day shalt thou be with me in Paradise." Then "He rose again from the dead and ascended in His glorified body into Heaven. The Resurrection shall precede the general judgment and the final awards thereof"

As to the state of the departed before the resurrection from the dead, we know but little, for but little is revealed, and we should hesitate to enter where He, the Resurrection and the Life, leads not the way. But He does for a moment draw aside the veil and permit a glimpse of the Intermediate state. We see a man who had lived for self, and cared not for his brother's needs, in a state of torment, and longing in vain for a drop of water to cool his tongue. Afar off, across a great gulf, is another departed one. His life on earth had been one of

suffering, but now he finds rest for his weary soul in the bosom of Abraham. The unhappy one would fain have that gulf crossed and his thirst slaked. But no; he is told that it cannot be passed over—that it is a "gulf fixed."

Modern developments of religious science have since, as it thinks, spanned that gulf; and the prayers of the faithful, winged with alms, can convey souls across the chasm. Wealth thereby accrues to the parties on earth, but in the vision which Christ vouchsafes, not a drop of water could pass from the one to the other side.

What can we say concerning this revelation? That "this is altogether an allegory." An allegory! What can an allegory of Christ be but a vision of truth? I know not how to express my sense of the impertinence and audacity of one —especially an embassedor of Christ—who tells the people that his Master was not dealing with realities when He opened up visions of the future state.

What if the Lord were visibly present in our midst—and He is ever present, although we forget it—and were to lift the curtain and give us the same glimpse of the future, would we have any question as to his meaning? We should ever, as we hear His words, realize that Christ, the Truth, is giving us of His light. Rest for the weary, deliverance from the body of death and its defilements—then are the realities revealed for the faithful. Would that we knew how to sing the hymn, "O Paradise, O, Paradise!" But our hearts are not yet strung to so high a pitch.

NUMBER OF THE SAVED.

We live in an age of violent rebound from a Puritanic era, and as is inevitable, the tendency of thought is to the opposite extreme. Not only do the ungodly and profane deride the idea of a coming retribution, but, sad to say, some who were commissioned to warn the wicked from their ways, are lulling their hearers into a fatal security. They are sounding the note that first tempted man to fall—"thou shalt not surely die;" and, if thou diest, "still there is eternal hope;" and failing of that, "perhaps annihilation."

I need not dwell here. These men who prate of these things, what do they know of the future state? Which one of them has passed the vail and penetrated the hidden secrets of the world beyond?

There is but One who knows—He, the Immaculate, who came down from Heaven and became man, died, was buried, descended into Hell, rose again, and did all this for our salva-

tion. He alone has the right to speak, for He alone know what to speak. And He has spoken.

What are His words? Let us try and get very near Hir while He speaks, for life and death alike are in His word His disciples upon a certain occasion gathered around Hin They asked the question: "Lord, are there few that b saved?" His preaching seems to have stirred the questio and our preaching, if it be like His, will ever stir the sam question, "Lord, are there few that be saved?" What ws His answer? It came in language to be understood of a chil "I say unto you, strive"—agonize—"to enter in at the stra gate." He goes on to give the reason for this urgent effort "Because strait is the gate and narrow is the way that leadet unto life, and few there be that find it." This, then, is settled question—one that may not be properly brought int discussion among the disciples of Christ.

And you may go through the Gospels—I speak advisedl —and I declare unto you that there is not a sentence of th words of Christ which give any countenance to the senti mentalism of "Eternal Hope." I marvel at the audacity c any one of Christ's embassadors who ventures to falsify o neutralize the message of his Sovereign; who, when th Master declares, "Their worm dieth not, and their fire is no quenched," will yet whisper, "Still there is eternal hope."

That vaunted discovery of the modern scientist—"the sur vival of the fittest"—is nothing new. It is simply th announcement of the old-time law of Nature and Revelation It began with the creation of things perishable—it will en with the consummation of things temporal, when "Th Fittest" shall survive and enter into Life Eternal. Th scientist dwells much upon the faculty or power of "Selec tion" evinced by the lowest forms of material things. Shal that same faculty be denied to the Kingdom of Heaven whic is granted to the insect and plant—even that of "Selection?"

There is no question of Divine compassion and tenderness to be raised here, although our modern Theologians do draw their conclusions from their own conceptions of the Divine Being rather than from the express words of Christ. The love of the Father is not to be drawn into question. He so loved the world that He sent His Son that man might live and not die. His proclamation of Eternal life is to all whc will come. He will save all who will let Him save them He will save "unto the uttermost." No; there is no question as it regards the will of God or the universality of Redemp-

tion. It is the wayward will of man that renders "the Grace of God in vain." The unclean shall not pass over the "Way of Holiness, because that which is unclean cannot enter the Kingdom."

If the Fatherhood of God, manifested in His Son, reveals a type of love as far surpassing that of human love as the Divine is above the human, so does His infinite holiness disclose a hatred of sin in like proportion. Indeed, the Divine compassion for the sufferer from sin is the measure of the Divine hatred of that which causes the suffering. In a word, the boundlessness of the Father's love, is the measure of His hatred of that which estranges His child from Himself, renders him unfit for His presence and leaves him speechless in the "outer darkness," when "the door is shut."

If any man perish it will not be because Christ had no heart for him, but because he had no heart for Christ.

THE LAST GREAT DAY.

Christ tells us that He will judge us in that day: "My word shall judge you in that day." The Heavenly Hosts which heralded His Nativity shall usher in the solemnities of His second coming to judge the world. Hear what weighty words our Lord Jesus Christ saith. All other words are beneath the theme.

"When the 'Son of Man' shall come in His Glory, and all the Holy Angels with Him, then shall He sit upon the throne of His Glory. And before Him shall be gathered all Nations; and He shall divide them one from another as a shepherd divideth his sheep from the goats. Then shall the King say unto those on His right hand, 'Come ye blessed of My Father; inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world.' Then shall He say unto those on the left, 'Depart ye cursed into everlasting fire prepared for the Devil and his angels.'"

How august the assembly—"All nations!" how just and merciful the Judge—"That man!"—that man who knows all of human infirmity—how weak humanity is; how strong is temptation. No judge ever sat in judgment with a heart so full of tenderness to the judged. How fearful the issue—"Everlasting punishment" and "Life eternal!"

Who are the "Blessed?" He leaves us in no doubt. He has long premonished us. For while on Earth, He sat upon the mount and described them. "Blessed are the pure in heart; Blessed are the meek; Blessed are they which do hunger and thirst after righteousness." The Beatitudes are

all before us, in the Holy Word, read and preached. No a word of blessing to those who are esteemed blessed by the world.

And now, again, He will sit upon the Throne of His Glory and call His flock as a shepherd: "Come Ye Blessed. Come ye pure in heart. Come ye that do hunger and thirst after righteousness, inherit the Kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the World." This closes the Drama. Oh! my soul, where shalt thou be on that day?

The solemnities of that august scene are in some measure rehearsed, whenever The Holy Supper of the Lord is celebrated. When the people are bidden to "hear what comfortable words our Saviour Christ hath said unto all who truly turn unto Him." Alas! the larger part of the congregation tarries not to hear those words: "Come unto Me all ye that travail and are heavy laden, and I will refresh you." The invitation, virtually, is: "Come Ye Blessed." Why do you not come? "I am not worthy to come?" Are you then worthy to inherit the Kingdom? "I have not the heart to come." Have you then the heart for entrance into the Kingdom above?

Few spectacles are to me so sad, as that of Christian people, many of them with vows upon them, turning from the voice of their Lord, and yet still hoping to be saved by His blood. Oh! think — all ye to whom these lines may come — that the heart which now keeps you from the presence of the Lord, is the heart which shall bar all access to His sacred Presence in

THE LAST GREAT DAY.

I might pursue the line of thought here begun, to an indefinite extent. The words of Christ cover the whole area of human life and human need. He tells us wherein life consisteth, and wherein it consisteth not. He gives us the true philosophy of life in single sentences. Ah! what a glorious world this would be, if all could hear and obey His blessed will! The love to God, first and supreme; the love to another as to oneself, would eradicate all evil. All moral and social evil comes from lack of love; therefore, is love the fulfilling of all law — the grand Catholicon, the Universal Solvent of all human ills.

Had I the dramatic power adequate, I would fain try and picture the follower of Christ gathering about the Master, and taking upon their lips the words of St. Peter: "Lord, to whom shall we go; Thou hast the words of Eternal Life?" What suppression of ambition and lust of power, as we stood in the presence of Our Great High Priest and heard His

prayer ascending on high, for the Unity of His Disciples: "Father, that they all may be one as we are One." The Roman soldier rent not the Robe of Christ, yet Christian men will carelessly rend His Body.

How would all the "wood, hay and stubble" which men have builded on the One Foundation, be consumed before the intensity of heat from the concentrated rays of his teaching?

How would all our worldliness, and greed, and frivolity, shrivel up as dead leaves before the consuming fire of His words, "But one thing is needful." How would our revengeful and impure thoughts stand out to view in the light of words, which teach that causeless anger is incipient murder, and the lascivious glance the consummation of adultery in the heart.

How would our daily carking cares and anxieties, our complainings of Providence, our faintings under His chastenings, melt away before His words: "What I do, thou knowest not now, but thou shalt know hereafter." "Seek first the Kingdom of God and His righteousness;" and as to food and raiment, "Your Heavenly Father knoweth that ye have need of all these things."

I might expand these thoughts into a volume, but I forbear.

Dearly beloved Brethren of the clergy, preach Christ unto your people; not about Christ, nor about Christianity, but—Christ. Ye are His embassadors; study His message; His words; catch the inspiration of His teaching. Learn of Him and be witnesses for "The Truth"—the whole truth and nothing but the truth, so help you God. His words: "They are spirit and they are life." Gather together under appropriate headings all His teachings, and thus by their concentrated light and heat—as by the rays of the sun in the solar microscope—all latent and unsuspected sins will be brought to view, and the brightness and glory of the Son of Righteousness be displayed.

And ye, dearly beloved brethren of the Laity, study the words of Christ—His every word. They are a great light shining amid great darkness. Amid all the dissensions, and discussions, and perversions which abound, ye have a clear light in the words of Christ, the Great Teacher. Ye are followers of Christ, members of His precious body. buried with Him by Baptism. Follow Him ever, for does He not say: "I am the Light of the world; he that followeth Me shall not walk in darkness, but shall have the Light of Life."

Faithfully yours, RICHARD H. WILMER.

Diocese of Alabama, May 23, 1888.

IN. MEMORIAM.

REV. STEPHEN U. SMITH

Born January 2d, 1817.

Ordered Deacon, February, 1853.

Advanced to the Priesthood, May, 1854.

Died, May 15th, 1888.

"Blessed are the pure in heart, For they shall see God."

[APPENDIX B.]

Report of the Trustees of the Bishop's Fund.

The Trustees of the Bishop's Fund submit the following report for the Convention year:

The report of the Treasurer shows that the interest on the Alabama Bonds, and the rent of the Hamner Hall property for the year ending June 30, 1887, have been collected, amounting to $1,216; $107.25 has been used in paying the difference in exchange between four bonds of the denomination of $100 and one of the denomination of $500. The balance of the income, amounting to $1,108.75, has been paid to the Treasurer. The status of the Selma bonds is unchanged, but it is believed that they will improve in value.

The Hamner Hall property is leased to Rev. Dr. Everhart, at $560 per annum until the 30th of June, 1889. For the terms of this lease see the report to the Convention of May, 1886. The insurance on the building is provided for until May 15, 1891.

At the last Convention the report of the Trustees in regard to the legal title of this property was referred to a committee of three lawyers, with instructions to report to the present Council in regard to the legal status of the property.

We would respectfully call your attention to an error in that report as published in the last journal. On the second line from the top of page 66, we are made to say: "The purpose of *this Convention* is to wrest this property from the possession of its present owners." The original manuscript reads: "The purpose of *these persons* is to wrest," etc. It will be seen that the latter reading is correct, as the context relates to the persons who were disposed to re-open the question of title. As it now reads in the printed report, these words might be construed into a reflection on the Convention, which was never intended by the authors of the report.

N. H. R. DAWSON, } Trustees.
J. H. FITTS, }

[APPENDIX C.]

Report of Committee on Hamner Hall Property.

Your Committee appointed at the last Annual Council of the Diocese of Alabama, to whom was referred the report of the Trustees of the Bishop's Fund, relative to the property in the city of Montgomery held by said Trustees, and known as the "Hamner Hall" property, with instructions to report to this Council the legal status of said property, beg leave to report:

In addition to the facts set out in the report of the Trustees of the

Bishop's Fund, we find that the property was originally conveyed to the "Trustees of Hamner Hall," the corporation created by the act of the Legislature of the State, approved February 23d, 1860. That act will be found in the Pamphlet Acts, Session of 1859-60, p. 351. By the fourth section of that act, the Trustees, or a majority of them, were expressly authorized to sell or dispose of any property belonging to the corporation; to borrow money and to pledge the proporty of the corporation for its payment. This authority to borrow was exercised, as shown by the former reports, by obtaining a loan from the "Trustees of the Bishop's Fund," and while it does not appear that any mortgage or other contract lien was given to secure the re-payment of such loan, yet, under the general law, all the property of the corporation was liable for its repayment, and could have been subjected thereto by legal proceedings. The minutes of the proceedings of the "Trustees of Hamner Hall" show that as early as October 2, 1865, a resolution was adopted by them authorizing Col. C. T. Pollard to sell as much of the property of the corporation as he might deem advisable, in order to liquidate its indebtedness. No action appears to have been taken under this resolution until the sale to the Rector, Wardens and Vestrymen of St. John's Church, alluded to in the report of the Trustees of the Bishop's Fund hereinabove referred to. The consideration of that conveyance was the assumption by the grantees of the indebtedness due by the grantor to the Bishop's Fund. Such assumption of that debt was clearly a valuable consideration, and a deed executed upon it is as well supported as if it had been executed in consideration of that amount of cash paid into the hands of the Trustees.

We have seen that those Trustees were expressly authorized by the act of incorporation to sell and dispose of the property. Under this authority a purchaser would have taken the property, relieved of all trusts, and would have been under no obligation to see that the funds received therefor were applied for the purposes of the trust. But here there was not only a sale by those authorized to sell, but by a sale, the application of the property to the purposes for which it was held. While it may be true that the Trustees held the property in trust for the support and maintenance of a Female College, this trust was secondary to the one imposed upon it by the law. When in pursuance of the authority vested in them, they created debts, they held the property from thence on primarily in trust for the payment of those debts. The law would have compelled them to devote it to that purpose, and having done voluntarily that which the law would have compelled, their action will be sustained and upheld. The Rector, Wardens and Vestry of St. John's Church assumed the indebtedness referred to, the creditors consenting thereto, and releasing the former debtor therefrom, and to secure the same, executed to the Trustees of the Bishop's Fund, on the 11th day of April, 1871, a mortgage upon this property, with power of sale on default.

The law day of that mortgage having passed, and the indebtedness secured thereby, with a good deal of the accrued interest being in default,

an arrangement was made whereby the property was to be accepted in full payment and satisfaction of such indebtedness and interest. This arrangement was consummated by the execution, by persons duly authorized by such Rector, Wardens and Vestrymen, of a warranty deed conveying, absolutely and unconditionally, this property to the Trustees of the Bishop's Fund. This deed was made on the 24th day of May, 1879, and in consideration of it, the mortgage above referred to was satisfied on the records, and the notes it was given to secure were delivered up.

There can be no doubt, in our opinion, that this conveyance vested in the Trustees of the Bishop's Fund a title to the property relieved of and freed from any and all trusts of every kind and character that may have heretofore attached to it. A conveyance of the equity of redemption by a mortgagor to the mortgagee, if free from fraud and for an adequate price, merges the legal and equitable titles, and vests the grantee of the equity with an absolute title to the property. Even if there was fraud, or inadequacy of consideration, the mortgagor, to avail himself of it as a cause for vacating and setting aside the conveyance, must apply to the Courts within a reasonable time, and under our decisions, it is certain that one who fails to apply within four years would be refused relief. Under this rule, the Rector, Wardens and Vestrymen of St. John's are the only persons entitled to complain. No complaint has ever been made by them, and even were they now disposed to complain, they are as effectually shut off by lapse of time as they would be had the property been sold under a decree of foreclosure on regular proceedings.

Much has been said on former occasions in reports and articles relative to this property, about the trusts attached to its holding. It is difficult to define what trusts there were. It is true that the corporation created by the act of the General Assembly was created for the purpose of establishing, operating and maintaining a Female Seminary in the city of Montgomery, and held the property for that purpose, but who were to be the beneficiaries of that trust, and what person, or body of persons, outside of the Sovereign State who brought the corporation into existence, would have been authorized to institute proceedings to compel these Trustees to execute the same, is left very doubtful.

If the church of this Diocese had any authority in the premises, it will be seen from the proceedings of its Annual Council that every step taken by every party connected with the different sales and transfers of the property has been taken, not only with its consent, but by its direction, and it is certainly not now in a position legally to complain of those actions which have vested the legal and equitable title to this property in the present owners. In fact, however, as said above, there has been no diversion of the property from the purposes of any trust; there has, on the contrary, been an application of it to the purposes of the trust with which it was primarily charged by law, and as it, at the time it was so applied, was only sufficient to discharge that trust, the one that was secondary was finally and fully cut off. If it was more than sufficient to

discharge the first—if the conveyance was upon an inadequate consideration—those who had any right to apply to have it set aside for that reason, have long since been barred of that right.

In conclusion, our opinion is clear that the present holders of the title to the property in question have a right to convey the same, and that a deed from them, properly executed, will convey to their grantee a title forever relieved and discharged of all past trusts that may have attached to it at and since its first conveyance to the "Trustees of Hamner Hall." The proceeds of such sale, regardless of the amount it may bring, will be subject to the same trusts that the other property and money held by the Trustees of the Bishop's Fund is subject to, and will be subject to none other.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

F. B. Clark,
H. C. Tompkins,
Horace Stringfellow, Jr.

[APPENDIX D.]

Report of the Committee on Parochial Reports.

There is a marked improvement in this year's reports over those of last year. Last year there were four to six good reports; this year some fifteen or sixteen fairly good ones. As there are fifty-six places reporting, there is much improvement yet possible.

TITLES TO PROPERTY.

Nine places report the titles to their property as vested in the Bishop and his successor, or in the Diocese, viz.: Birmingham (Advent), Bon Secour, Decatur, Eufaula, Scottsboro, Trinity, Athens, Clayton, Mobile (Good Shepherd). Five places report that the title to their property rests in their vestry or corporation, viz.: Mobile (Christ Church), Mobile (St. John's), Selma, Tuskaloosa and Whistler. One parish, Sheffield, has three Trustees. Union Town reports it unascertained who holds the titles. None of the others report on this point.

INCORPORATED PARISHES.

Five parishes report themselves as incorporated, viz.: Mobile (Christ Church), Mobile (St. John's), Eufaula, Selma, Tuskaloosa. Three are not incorporated, viz.: Birmingham (Advent), Sheffield, Whistler. This last parish, although not incorporated, holds the titles to its own property. Union Town has not ascertained whether or not it is incorporated. None of the other places report on this point.

VALUATION.

Fourteen parishes report church property to the value of $310.575. It would be interesting to know how much property the church does own in the Diocese. It is hoped that the reports will be more full next year

on this point. The above amount of property is covered by $51,573 of insurance. Several parishes holding most valuable property make no report concerning value, and only eleven out of the whole number, report any insurance.

DEBT.

There appears to be but one mortgage debt in the Diocese, which is of the amount of $1,000, but this was justified by the circumstances of its creation. The total floating debt in the Diocese among all its parishes is $364. Old debts have been paid to the amount of $2,133.69 during the year.

STATISTICS.

The reports show 2,046 families in the Diocese and 9,971 parishioners. In a few cases the reports showed a certain number of families in the parish, without any parishioners. These instances were few, but the number given above should probably be 10,000. Of this number over one-half (5,341) are held by six parishes. The ten largest parishes have nearly 7,000 of the whole number. Last year 4,652 Communicants were reported, and 4,874 are reported this year, showing an increase of 222, and this, in spite of the loss of 468 by death and removal. There are 2,679 children under instruction in the Sunday Schools of the Diocese, and this although ten reports contain no mention of Sunday Schools, while one report gives five teachers and two officers but no pupils. These schools have 372 teachers, of whom only 52 are males.

There are 37 Societies in the Diocese, with 1,020 members; of these 16 Societies, with 655 members, are in two parishes. These Societies are organizations of the Laity for the work of the church, and show a very remarkable amount of activity, especially among the women, only one parish showing any considerable number of men thus organized. These Societies gave to their parishes this year $10,041.58.

There were 490 baptisms, of which 103 were adults, and 457 persons were confirmed. Two reports, however, while recording the visit of the Bishop and stating that he held a confirmation, do not give the number confirmed. Of the number confirmed about one-quarter (121 persons) were from other religious bodies, and 73 were heads of families. Several reports fail to give information on these points.

FINANCIAL ITEMS.

The amount of money expended in the Diocese this year is most extraordinary, the grand aggregate being $139,303.55. Of this $2,133.69 was for debt; $125,734.75 for parochial purposes; $8,840.05 for the Diocese, and $652.77 for the church at large. Of this grand aggregate $11,538.95 were gifts in money; $10,041.58 were the result of Society work, almost wholly by the women, and $19,939.96 were the estimated values of gifts of property.

The salaries of the clergy of the Diocese, including the Bishop, were $30,374.31. The amount expended for land, new buildings, &c., was $58,244.32. Had these reports been more full these items might have

been greatly extended, especially as regards the poor; they would be impossible under any other form of report.

With regard to the desire expressed by many members of the Council to have published in the journal somewhat more full accounts from the various parishes and mission stations than are afforded by the tabular statement, your Committee offer the following:

Resolved, That the Council request the Rectors and Missionaries to write in narrative form accounts of the progress of the church in the fields under their charge and transmit them to the Secretary of the Council, who shall present them to the Bishop on the first day of the Council. But these narrative reports are not to be understood as taking the place of the Statistical Reports in the present use.

Your Committee also recommend that the Statistical Reports be closed on the first day of May, and be immediately thereafter forwarded to the Secretary, or some person designated by the Bishop, so that the tabulation may be completed before the meeting of the Council.

[APPENDIX E.]

Diocesan Treasurer's Statement.

:GE A. WILKINS, *Treas., in Acc't with the* DIOCESE OF ALABAMA.

2, 1887, Cash on hand in Treasury	$ 205 00
BY ASSESSMENTS COLLECTED, 1887 AND 1888.	
8—St Andrew's parish, Gallion, Ala	$ 45 00
7—Grace Church parish, Clayton, Ala	20 00
8—Grace Church parish, Clayton, Ala	20 00
7—St. Mark's Church parish, Troy, Ala., (part)	2 50
8—St. Mark's Church parish, Troy, Ala	15 00
Grace Church parish, Anniston, Ala	150 00
Christ Church parish, Cross Plains, Ala	10 00
St. Mark's Church parish, Fork of Green, Ala	20 00
Church of the Good Shepherd, Mobile, Ala	25 00
Grace Church parish, Tilden, Ala	10 00
St. James' Church parish, Livingston, Ala	25 00
St. John's Church parish, Forkland, Ala	10 00
St. John's Church parish, Mobile, Ala	150 00
Emanuel Church parish, Opelika, Ala	5 00
37—Emanuel Church parish, Opelika, Ala	5 00
38—St. Timothy's Church parish, Athens, Ala	15 00
St. Peter's Church parish, Talladega, Ala	25 00
St. Mark's Church parish, Prattville, Ala	10 00
St. Luke's Church parish, Scottsboro, Ala	15 00
St. Stephen's Church parish, Eutaw, Ala	50 00
Christ Church parish, Mobile, Ala	600 00
St. Mary's Church parish, Evergreen, Ala	15 00
St. Paul's Church parish, Minter Station, Ala	25 00
St. Paul's Church parish, Selma, Ala	350 00
St. John's Church parish, Tuscumbia, Ala	15 00
St. Paul's Church parish, Whistler, Ala	5 00
St. Paul's Church parish, Lowndesboro, Ala	15 00
St. Luke's Church parish, Jacksonville, Ala	20 00
Church of the Nativity, Huntsville, Ala	300 00
Church of the Holy Cross, Uniontown, Ala	50 00
St. Paul's Church parish, Decatur, Ala	25 00
Trinity Church parish, Mobile, Ala	300 00
Brierfield Mission, Brierfield, Ala	20 00
St. Thomas' Church parish, Greenville, Ala	30 00
St. Andrew's Church parish, Hayneville, Ala	15 00
St. James' Church parish, Eufaula, Ala	50 00
Trinity Church parish, Florence, Ala	25 00
Church of the Holy Innocents, Auburn, Ala	20 00
Grace Church parish, Trinity, Ala	10 00
Christ Church parish, Tuskaloosa, Ala	150 00
Trinity Church parish, Demopolis, Ala	100 00
Montevallo Mission, Montevallo, Ala	10 00
St. John's Church parish, Montgomery, Ala	650 00
St. Mary's Church parish, Birmingham, Ala	250 00
Church of the Advent, Birmingham, Ala	250 00
St. Paul's Church parish, Greensboro, Ala	150 00
N. H. R. Dawson, Treas'r the Bishop's Fund	1,107 15
St. Wilfrid's Church parish, Marion, (part)	11 25
St. Alban's Church parish, Brown's Station	5 00
Trinity Church parish, Union Springs, Ala	10 00
Church of the Holy Comforter, Montgomery	20 00
	$5,435 90

1888. *DISBURSEMENTS.*

May 23—Rubber stamps for Treasurer's office	$	
Printing for Treasurer's Office		4
Book for Treasurer's Office		1
Express ch'gs on Treas'r's book from Mobile		
Wm. Barnwall, Treasurer for 1886 and 1887		50
Sexton of St. Paul's Church, Greensboro		10
Rev. R. H. Cobbs, Secretary for '86 and '87		100
Printing journal for '87 and '88		240
To General Convention Fund		31
Rev. R. H. Cobbs, Secretary for '87 and '88		100
For the Seal of the Diocese		15
Ledger for the Treasurer's Office		13
One-half Ins. Premium on Bishop's policy		122
Geo. A. Wilkins, for Treasurer '87 and '88		50
Rt. Rev. R. H. Wilmer, bal. salary '86–'87		273
Rt. Rev. R. H. Wilmer, salary '87–'88		4,000
Cash on hand	$	422 5
		$5,436 9

GEO. A. WILKINS,
Treasurer.

Huntsville, Ala., May 23, 1888.

[APPENDIX F.]

Account of Chas. E. Waller, Treas'r Diocesan Missions

CHAS. E. WALLER, *Treasurer of Diocesan Missions.*

AMOUNTS RECEIVED.

St. Paul's, Greensboro,	1887—May	$ 65 20		
	July	49 00		
	Nov	80 80		
	1888—January	81 35		
	May	74 75		
	May	49 95—	$401 05	
St. John's, Montgomery,	'87—July	116 25		
	Nov	200 00		
	1888—April	174 00—	491 10	
Trinity, Mobile	1887—July	42 75		
	Sept	38 25		
	October	28 10		
	Nov	50 55		
	Dec	17 00		
	1888—January	17 85		
	March	50 75		
	May	72 75—	318 00	
St. John's, Mobile	1888—Feb	15 75		
	May	15 00—	30 75	
Christ Church, Mobile	1887—July	21 35		
	July	26 85		
	August	9 05		
	Sept	10 80		
Carried forward		$1,307 10		

Brought forward.....		$1,307 10		
Christ Church, Mobile..	1887—October .	8 55		
	October .	13 95		
	Nov.....	17 80		
	Dec.	50 00		
	Dec.	12 25		
	1888—January .	13 75		
	January .	23 55		
	Feb.....	14 00		
	March...	12 00		
	April....	13 00		
	May.....	21 30		
	May.....	66 60—	334 80	
Grace Church, Anniston,	1887—Sept.....	43 75		
	October .	49 30		
	Dec.	89 45		
	1888—May.....	125 45—	317 95	
Ch. of Advent, Birm'g'm, '87—	July.....	14 85		
	August..	12 50		
	Nov.....	105 50		
	Dec.	24 05		
	1888—Feb.....	16 30		
	April ...	136 00		
	April ...	73 00		
	May.....	5 20—	387 40	
St. Mary's, Birmingham,	1888—March ..	35 66—	35 66	
St. Paul's, Carlowville..	1887—Dec.	20 00—	20 00	
St. Paul's, Decatur.....	1887—July.....	5 00		
	Sept.....	2 35		
	1888—January .	5 00		
	May.....	9 50—	21 85	
Trinity, Demopolis.....	1888—April ...	20 85		
	May.....	29 16—	50 01	
St. James, Eufaula	1887—Dec.	4 00—	4 00	
St. Stephens, Eutaw....	1887—August..	2 00		
	August..	5 00		
	October .	1 00—	8 00	
St. Mary's, Evergreen..	1887—August..	2 96—	2 96	
Trinity, Florence.....	1887—June, remittance lost.			
	July.....	4 50		
	August..	2 00		
	October .	1 25		
	October .	2 30		
	October .	1 85		
	1888—January .	3 30		
	April	2 45		
	April....	2 45—	20 10	
St. Thomas, Greenville..	1887—August..	10 00		
	1888—April	21 50—	31 50	
Ch. Nativity, Huntsville, '87—	August..	20 00		
	August..	25 00		
	Sept.....	22 00		
	October .	20 00		
	Nov.....	20 00		
	Dec.	15 00		
	1888—January.	24 65		
Carried forward.....		$3,232 83		

Brought forward		$3,232 83		
Ch. Nativity, Huntsville, '88	Feb	32 65		
	March	21 00		
	April	17 55		
	May	23 02	240 87	
St. James, Livingston	1887—July	2 10		
	October	5 35		
	1888—April	10 00	17 45	
St. Paul's, Lowndesboro	1887—October	4 00	4 00	
St. Andrews, Gallion	1887—July	4 90		
	July	11 00		
	July	5 80		
	Sept	4 90		
	October	4 00		
	Nov	4 20		
	1888—March	4 50		
	April	5 20		
	May	8 60	53 10	
St. Wilfreds, Marion	1887—July	9 75		
	1888—March	25 70	35 45	
Emmanuel, Opelika	1888—May	5 00	5 00	
St. Luke's, Scottsboro	1887—October	2 00	2 00	
St. Paul's, Selma	1887—August	30 35		
	October	56 70		
	Dec.	25 75		
	Dec.	5 40		
	1888—April	38 50		
	May	36 70	193 40	+$6 60=$20
St. Peter's, Talladega	1887—October	8 50	8 50	
St. Mark's, Troy	1887—June	2 25	2 25	
Christ Ch., Tuscaloosa	1887—Nov	50 00		
	1888—April	250 00	300 00	
Trinity, Union Springs	1887—May	3 30	3 30	
Holy Cross, Uniontown	1887—Dec.	6 00		
	1888—Feb	3 60	9 60	+$4 05=$13
Boligee	1887—	5 90		
	1888—May	16 50	22 40	
This amount borrowed in May, 1887, of Church Home to pay allowances by Board		425 00		
This amount of former Treasurer		267 79		
1888—May, from Rev. J. F. Smith		5 00	St. Luke's, Jacksonvi	
St. John's, Forkland	1888—May	1 25		
Grace Church, Sheffield	1888—May	11 25		
Total		$4,093 39		

AMOUNTS PAID OUT.

To Rev. DeB. Waddell—		
1887—May, Expenses to Council	$ 8 00	
May, To Check	100 00	
August, To Check	100 00	
November, To Check	80 00	
November, To Check	20 00	
December, To Check	100 00	
1888—April 26, To Check	100 00	—$508

Brought forward		$508 00
To Rev. Percy Gordon—		
1887—May, To Expenses to Council	12 00	
August, To Check	50 00	
November, To Check	50 00	
1888—January, To Check	50 00	
April, To Check	50 00—	212 00
To Rev. George M. Everhart, D. D.		
1887—August, To Check	25 00	
August, To P. O. Money Order	30 00	
September, To Check	45 00	
November, To Check	50 00	
November, To Check	50 00	
1888—January, To Checks	100 00	
April, To Check	100 00—	400 00
To Rev. O. R. Bourne—		
1887—May, To Expenses to Council	10 00	
August, To Check	30 35	
August, To Check	50 00	
October, To Check	20 00	
November, To Check	50 00	
November, To Check	50 00	
1888—January, To Check	100 00	
April, To Check	100 00—	410 35
To Rev. G. R. Upton—		
1887—May, To Check	25 00	
August, To Check	25 00	
November, To Check	25 00	
1888—January, To Check	25 00	
April, To Check	25 00—	125 00
Rev. W. T. Allen—		
1887—May, To Check	25 00	
August, To Check	50 00	
November, To Check	25 00	
November, To Check	25 00	
1888—January, To Check	50 00	
April, To Check	50 00—	225 00
To Rev. B. F. Mower—		
1887—May, To Check	37 50	
August, To Check	37 50	
November, To Check	37 50	
1888—January, To Check	37 50	
April, To Check	37 50—	187 50
To Rev. J. F. Smith—		
1887—May, To Expenses to Council	10 00	
May, To Check	75 00	
August, To Check	75 00	
November, To Check	75 00	
1888—January, To Check	75 00	
April, To Check	75 00—	385 00
To Rev. A. W. Pierce—		
1887—May, To Expenses to Council	15 00—	15 00
To Rev. Stewart McQueen—		
1887—May, To Expenses to Council	2 00	
May, To Check	112 50	
June, To Check	62 50—	177 00
Carried forward		$1,647 86

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Brought forward		$2,647	85
To Rev. F. B. Lee—			
1887—May, To Expenses to Council	$ 8 00		
May, To Check	50 00		
August, To Check	50 00		
November, To Check	25 00		
November, To Check	25 00		
1888—January, To Check	50 00		
April, To Check	50 00—	258	00
To Rev. R. J Walker—			
1888—April, To Check	100 00		
May, To Check	84 00		
To Exchange	30—	184	30
To amount paid out by Treasurer for traveling expenses of self, stationery for Societies, postage and exchange		$ 73	55
To this amount, borrowed May, 1887, of Orphans' Home and now returned		425	00
To interest now paid on last item at 6 per cent		25	50
Total disbursements		$3,611	20
Total receipts		4,093	39
Balance on hand		184	92

[APPENDIX G.]

Proceedings of the Society for the Relief of Disabled Clergymen and of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen.

HUNTSVILLE, ALA., May 24, 1888.

The Society was called to order by the Rt. Rev. President, and the roll being called, the following members were found to be present:

RT. REV. R. H. WILMER, D. D.

Rev. J. M. Banister, D. D., Rev. T. J. Beard,
" R. H. Cobbs, D. D., " P. A. Fitts,
" Percy Gordon, " J. A. Harrison, D. D.,
" F. B. Lee " B. F. Mower,

Mr. C. E. Waller.

On motion, the Society adjourned till Friday.

HUNTSVILLE, ALA., May 25, 1888.

The Society met pursuant to adjournment.

The following report was presented and read:

GREENSBORO, May 14, 1887.

The Executive Committee was called to order by the President, May 14, 1887, 5:30 P. M. All the members were present. The Treasurer was instructed to send Rev. F. B. Lee $100, Mrs. Porter $50, the Misses Ticknor $50, Mrs. J. M. Robertson $50. R. H. COBBS, Sec'y.

On motion, this report was received and concurred in.

'he Treasurer presented his report, which was referred to a commit- consisting of Rev. R. W. Barnwall, Rev. J. A. Van Hoose, and Mr. E. Waller. This committee reported that the account was correct, l this report was received and concurred in.

Ir. R. M. Nelson was elected Treasurer; Rev. R. H. Cobbs, D. D., s elected Secretary. Rev. R. W. Barnwall and Mr. C. E. Waller e elected members of the Executive Committee.

n motion, the Society adjourned.

RICH'D H. WILMER, *President.*

t. H. COBBS, *Secretary.*

R. M. NELSON, *Treasurer, in Account with*

E SOCIETY FOR THE RELIEF OF DISABLED CLERGY, AND THE WIDOWS AND ORPHANS OF DECEASED CLERGYMEN.

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y 14—To	Balance on hand	$775 34	—$775 34
	Collections in St. Paul's, Greensboro	36 10	
	Rev. H. Stringfellow	10 00	
	Rev. A. W. Pierce	1 00	
	W. W. Screws, annual due	5 00	
	C. E. Waller, annual dues	5 00	
	Rev. J. F. Smith	11 50	
t. 3—To	Rev. S. W. Smith, St. Stephen's, Eutaw	5 00	
v. 12—To	Christ Church, Mobile	21 25	
28—To	St. Paul's, Greensboro	6 00	
	St. Andrew's, Macon	5 00	
c. 28—To	St. Peter's, Talladega	7 00	
30—To	Church of the Advent, Birmingham	23 70	
	Christ Church, Tuskaloosa	22 40	
	St. Paul's, Decatur	6 75	
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n. 3—To	Church of the Nativity, Huntsville	22 55	
	St. James', Eufaula	8 00	
	Trinity, Florence	3 90	
4—To	St. Thomas', Greenville	5 50	
14—To	St. Paul's, Carlowville	9 75	
	St. Paul's, Selma	25 85	
19—To	St. Peter's, Talladega	5 41	
24—To	St. Mary's, Whistler	5 10	
	St. John's, Montgomery	50 00	
28—To	St. John's, Mobile	10 00	
Feb. 6—To	Church of the Holy Cross, Uniontown	9 00	
8—To	Grace Church, Anniston	23 70	
Mar. 19—To	Holy Cross, Uniontown	1 00	
May 18—To	Trinity Church, Demopolis	28 70	
21—To	St. Paul's, Carlowville	13 25	—$387 41
	Interest—		
	4% on $12,000 Reg. Class A Ala bonds		480 00
	4% on 1,500 Coupon Class A "		60 00
	6% on 3,500 Alabama Sixes		210 00
			$1,912 75
May 21—Balance			$ 647 75

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May 14—By Cash Rev F. B. Lee	$ 100 00		
Mrs. J. F. Robertson	50 00		
Mrs. J. D. Porter	50 00		
For Ala. Class A Bond, 482	1,065 00	—$1.265	00
Balance		$ 647	75

ASSETS.

12	Alabama Class A Registered bonds, $1,000 each, Nos. 437, 438, 439, 440, 441, 442, 443, 517, 518, 519, 873 and 874	$12,000 00
1	Alabama Class A Coupon Bond, No. 482	1,000 00
1	Alabama Class A Coupon Bond, No. 6238	500 00
7	Alabama 6 per cent. Bonds, Nos. 101, 102, 107, 257, 733, 1454, 1753, each $500	3,500 00
	Total par value	$17,000 00
	Total Market value	18,000 00

Report of Treasurer of University of the South.

THEOLOGICAL DEPARTMENT UNIVERSITY OF THE SOUTH,
In account with H. A. LOWE, *Treasurer Diocese Alabama.*

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By cash from St. Paul's, Greensboro	$25 00		
" " St Andrews', Macon	8 00		
" " Church Nativity, Huntsville	10 00		
" " St. Stephen's, Eutaw	5 00		
" " Grace Church, Anniston	20 00		
" " Christ Church, Mobile	31 15		
" " Church of Advent, Birmingham	18 40		
" " Trinity Church, Demopolis	21 05		
" " Church at Uniontown	10 20	—$148 8	

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Jan. 31.	To Cash remitted W. P. DuBose, Treasurer, Sewanee	$100 00	
Jan. 31.	To Cash paid premium on Exchange	15	
May 9.	To Cash remitted W. P. DuBose, Treasurer, Sewanee	30 00	
May 15.	To Cash remitted W. P. DuBose, Treasurer, Sewanee, by P. O. order and cost of same	8 10	
May 23.	To Amount remitted from Uniontown direct	10 20	
May 23.	To Balance on hand this date	35	—$148 80

HENRY A. LOWE,
Treasurer.

Mobile, May 23, 1888.

[APPENDIX H.]

Act of Incorporation.

AN ACT

To amend an Act entitled an Act to incorporate the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Alabama, and enable said Church to provide for the orphans and widows of soldiers, and other destitute persons, approved December 12, 1864.

Title amended. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Alabama,* That said Act shall hereafter be entitled "An Act to incorporate the Protestant Episcopal Church in the State of Alabama, and the several parishes thereof, and to regulate the tenure of church property and enable said church to establish religious, charitable or educational institutions," and that the provisions of said Act be so amended that said Act shall hereafter read as follows:

SECTION 1. That the Protestant Episcopal Church in the State of Alabama be, and is hereby created a corporation by the name of "The Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Alabama," and by that name may sue and be sued, defend and be defended, and exercise all the powers incident to such religious corporation not inconsistent with the laws and Constitution of this State.

SEC. 2. *Be it further enacted,* That said corporation may acquire money and real or personal estate by gift, grant, devise, bequest or purchase for the use and benefit of said church at large, or of any parish or mission station of said church, or for the use and benefit of any orphan asylum, home for destitute persons, or for any other religious, charitable or educational institution heretofore, or hereafter established; and all such property shall be exempt from taxation, and shall be held and disposed of according to the use and purpose for which the same may have been given by the donors thereof, where the same has been expressed by such donors; otherwise the same shall be held and disposed of for the use and benefit of said church and its religious, charitable and educational institutions at its discretion; and, for change of investment, or other good cause, any portion of said property may be sold and conveyed by the Bishop of the Diocese, acting by and with the consent of the Diocesan Council, by resolution of said Council, adopted by a three-fourths vote thereof, or a mortgage may be given by the Bishop with like consent; *Provided,* that property conveyed to said corporation for the use of any congregation or parish, or for any religious, charitable or educational institution of such parish, shall not be sold or mortgaged until the consent of the Rector and vestry of said parish shall have been first given in writing, as well as the Bishop and Council aforesaid. *And provided also,* that the property dedicated to the use of one parish or institution shall not be held for debts incurred by or on behalf of any other parish or

institution, and all conveyances of property, when authorized as aforesaid, may be made by the Bishop as head of said corporation, in the name and by authority of said corporation, and signed by him as Bishop, and such conveyances, so executed, shall be good and effectual to all intents and purposes.

SEC. 3. *Be it further enacted*, That said corporation is empowered to establish in the City of Mobile, and at such other place or places in the State of Alabama as it may deem proper, an asylum or asylums for orphans, or widows or other destitute persons, under such rules and regulations as the Bishop, as head of said corporation, may prescribe; and also may establish in this State hospitals for the care of the sick, whether destitute or paying patients; and may establish schools, colleges, or any other religious, charitable or educational institutions, under such regulations as said Bishop may prescribe, and may modify and alter such regulations at its discretion; *Provided*, that no change of locality or diversion from one purpose to another shall be made without the consent of the Council.

SEC. 4. *Be it further enacted*, That the Bishop of said Diocese, or if there be no Bishop, or he is absent or disabled from acting, the Standing Committee of said church, as the head of the corporation, may make all such rules and regulations for the government of such asylums and other institutions of said church, and appoint such officers and agents thereof as they may deem proper, and may remove such agents at pleasure; and said Bishop, or Standing Committee, shall provide for the management of the property specially belonging to or set apart for the use of such asylums or other religious, charitable or educational institutions of said church; and said corporation may receive and hold any money, real estate or other property for the use and benefit of any such asylum or of any other religious, charitable or educational institution, established or carried on by or under the authority of said corporation; and in like manner may receive and hold property for the use and benefit of any parish, congregation or mission station of said church.

SEC. 5. *Be it further enacted*, That all property, real or personal, heretofore given or conveyed to any person for the benefit of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Alabama, or held in trust for the same, shall vest in said corporation as though given or conveyed thereto by its corporate name, and no device, bequest, gift, grant or conveyance heretofore made for the benefit of said church, or of any asylum or other religious, charitable or educational institution, such as is contemplated by this Act, or which hereafter shall be made for the benefit of said church, or of any asylum or other religious, charitable or educational institution herein contemplated, shall fail for want of a sufficient description, or of a competent person to take, or for any other reason whatever; but the same shall vest in said corporation by the name given by this Act; and the said Bishop shall report to the Diocesan Council each year the property which from time to time may be held under this Act, and

what disposition, if any, may have been made thereof; and the said Diocesan Council shall have, and in its discretion exercise, a general supervision and control in regard to property and institutions of said corporation, and may organize a Board of Trustees, either local or general, to assist in such management and control.

SEC. 6. *Be it further enacted*, That all parishes of said Diocese which may apply for the same, shall be admitted to the privileges and benefits of said corporation upon such rules as the Diocesan Council may prescribe for the organization and government and admission of parishes composing the same; that a condition precedent to the admission of new parishes shall be, that all lands and property of said parish, or held for its use, shall be conveyed to said corporation to be held under this Act, and that no lands or other property, or money given at any time for the use and benefit of said church, or of said parish, or any religious, charitable or educational institution thereof, shall be sold, mortgaged or withdrawn from this church, by any parish or congregation, except by consent of said corporation, given as in case when property is allowed to be sold under this Act. The property or funds of any parish or mission station which has or may become distinct be, and is hereby invested in said corporation, and may be sold or disposed of as other property under this Act; that all conveyances shall be made to said corporation by its corporate name, "The Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Alabama."

SEC. 7. *Be it further enacted*, That any parish heretofore organized in union with said church, desiring to have the property now or hereafter owned by said parish made subject to the provisions of this Act, may at a meeting of the congregation, of which one month's notice at public service on Sunday shall have been given in the parish church, by resolutions adopted by a majority of the male communicants over twenty-one years of age, assembled at such meeting, declare their wish and intentions that all the property of said parish, then owned or subsequently acquired, shall be held subject to the provisions of this Act, and the tenure of which shall be secured to said church, according to the provisions of this Act, and that a copy of said resolutions, certified by the president and secretary of said meeting, shall be recorded in the office of the Judge of Probate, as incorporations are recorded, and thenceforth all the property of said parish shall be subject to the provisions of this Act, in accordance with said resolutions, and the adoption of such resolutions shall be certified to the Diocesan Council by the president and secretary of such meeting, and the adoption of such resolutions after the same shall have been recorded in the office of the Judge of Probate, shall be, and is hereby made a full and sufficient authority for the vestry or other officers of any parish, or for any Trustee or Trustees holding title to any property for any such parish, to convey all such property to the said corporation, to be held for the use and benefit of such parish, according to the terms

and provisions of this Act. Nothing herein contained shall affect the method of incorporating a parish or congregation under the general laws of this State, or the method of conducting the affairs of any parish or congregation not inconsistent with this Act, but all property of said parish shall be conveyed to said corporation and held under this Act.

Approved February 8, 1887.

[APPENDIX I.]

MONTGOMERY, ALA., May 22d, 1888.

To the Rt. Rev. R. H. Wilmer, President of the Council:

DEAR SIR—I take pleasure in reporting the following papers received during the past year:

Deed of the Decatur Land, Improvement and Furnace Company to St. Paul's Church, Decatur, Ala., to certain land in said place.

Deed from M. C. Venable and W. G. Venable to Richmond Nickles, as Trustee for the Protestant Episcopal Church of Talladega, Ala., certain real estate in said place.

Deed from John Gindrat Winter and wife to Horace Stringfellow, in trust for the Church of the Holy Company, Montgomery, Ala., to the church lot in said place.

Also, the sentence of Consecration of the Church of the Holy Comforter, Montgomery, Ala. Respectfully submitted.

T. GARDNER FOSTER, Registrar.

DIGEST OF THE CANONS

TOGETHER WITH THE

CONSTITUTION

OF THE

DIOCESE OF ALABAMA.

As Reported to and Amended by the Council of 1888.

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CONSTITUTION.

THE CLERGY AND LAITY OF THE PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN THE DIOCESE OF ALABAMA, for the purpose of promoting the cause of religion and piety, establishing order, and securing to themselves and their posterity the advantages of the Ministry and Ordinances of the Church, do ordain and establish this Constitution:

General Convention.

ARTICLE I. This Church hereby accedes to the authority, and recognizes and adopts the Constitution and Canons of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America.

Annual Council—Change of Place.

ART. II. There shall be an Annual Council of the Church, to be held at such time and place as shall be designated by the next preceding Council; and in case there should be an epidemic disease in the place appointed for holding said Council, or any other cause to render it necessary to alter the place or time fixed for holding it, the Bishop shall have the power to appoint another place or time for holding the same.

Clerical Members.

ART. III. The Council shall be composed of clergymen and laymen.

Every clergyman in ecclesiastical connection with the Diocese, being a minister or assistant minister of some parish within the same, or a missionary under the direction of the ecclesiastical authority thereof, or being a president, professor or tutor in some institution of learning recognized and approved by this Council, or being unable to discharge the duties of the ministry on account of age or infirm health, or being a Chaplain in the army or navy, shall be entitled to a seat and vote in the Council; *Provided*, that no clerical member shall be entitled to vote in the Council unless he shall have resided in the Diocese for six months next preceding.

Lay Members.

The laymen shall consist of any number of deputies not exceeding five from each parish, chosen by the vestry thereof from the church within the same.

A Quorum.

ART. IV. Four members of the clerical order, and the representations of four parishes, shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business; but a smaller number may adjourn

The President—May Make a Motion—Special Councils.

ART. V. The Bishop shall be President of the Council. If he be absent, or if there be no Bishop, the Council shall choose a President *pro tempore* from the presbyters present. The Bishop may make any motion which he shall judge conducive to the good of the Church, but shall not enter into debate; and he may deliver his sentiments on any subject after it has been discussed, before a vote thereon. He may call special Councils at whatever times and places he may think necessary. In case of a vacancy in the Episcopal Office, this power shall be exercised by the Standing Committee.

The Secretary.

ART. VI. A Secretary shall be chosen at each annual meeting of the Council, who shall remain in office until the next election of a Secretary. His duty shall be to make minutes of their proceedings, to preserve their journals and records, to attest the public accounts of the body, and faithfully to deliver into the hands of his successor all books and papers relative to the concerns of the Council which may be in his possession.

Methods of Voting.

ART. VII. In Council the clergy and laity shall deliberate and vote as one body. But if it be required by two clergymen, or by the representations of two parishes, the two orders shall vote separately; in which case each clergyman shall cast one vote, and the representations of each parish one vote, and a majority of the votes of each order thus cast shall be decisive. In electing a Bishop, the laity shall vote by parishes as herein provided.

Election of a Bishop.

ART. VIII. The election of a Bishop shall be made in Council, in the following manner: The clergy shall nominate, by ballot,

some fit and qualified clergyman of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, for that office, the votes of a majority of that order being necessary to constitute a choice. Such nomination shall be communicated to the lay deputies and be considered by them; and if on a ballot it shall appear that the person so nominated is approved by a majority of the parishes represented, he shall then be declared by the President of the Council duly elected.

The Standing Committee.

ART. IX. The Standing Committee, consisting of not more than three clergymen and three laymen, shall be elected at each annual meeting of the Council. Vacancies in the Committee, caused by death, resignation, or otherwise, shall be filled by the remaining members A majority shall constitute a quorum.

Opening of the Council.

ART. X. Every Council shall be opened with prayer, a sermon, and the administration of the Holy Communion; the preacher to be appointed by the Bishop, or in case of a vacancy in the Episcopate, by the Standing Committee.

Alteration of the Constitution.

ART. XI. Any proposition to alter this Constitution shall be made in writing, and if approved by two-thirds of the Council, shall be submitted to the next Council; and if approved by a majority of the two orders therein, voting separately, it shall become a part of this Constitution.

CANONS

—OF THE—

DIOCESE OF ALABAMA.

TITLE I.

OF THE ORGANIZED BODIES AND OFFICERS OF THE CHURCH.

CANON I.—OF PARISHES.

Union with the Council.

SECTION 1. No Church or parish shall be received into union with this Council unless the Articles of Association, authenticated by the Chairman and Secretary of such Association, be presented to the Council by a member thereof.

Lay Delegates from Parishes.

SEC. 2. (*a*) It shall be the duty of every parish in the Diocese to send one Lay Communicant in good standing, whose expense shall be paid by the parish, as a deputy to the Diocesan Council; but every parish may, at its discretion, send a number of additional deputies not exceeding four, who shall also be communicants in good standing.

From Missions.

(*b.*) Each missionary station may also send one Lay Communicant, to be appointed by the minister in charge, who shall be entitled to a seat in the Council, and to participate in its debates, but not to vote.

Notification to Secretary.

(*c*) Each vestry or minister in charge, shall send to the Secretary of the Council, the name of each deputy elected or appointed to represent such parish or mission station, as soon as elected or appointed.

Assessments Must be Paid.

SEC 3. (*a*) No parish or mission station shall be entitled to lay representation, nor shall the names of the lay deputies from

any parish be called by the Secretary, until all assessments upon the same made by the council, shall have been paid to the Treasurer, or shall have been specially remitted by the Council.

(*b*) It shall be the duty of the Treasurer, at the opening of every Council, to furnish the Secretary with a complete list of the parishes that have paid their assessments.

Certificate of Election.

SEC. 4. Deputies to the Council from the several parishes, shall present a certificate of election signed by the Secretary of the vestry, or by the rector, or by one of the wardens, which certificate may be in the following form:

Form of Certficate.

This certifies that at a meeting of the vestry of ..... Church, at ....., held on the ..... day of ....., 18.., A, B, C and D, who are hereby declared to be communicants of said parish, were duly elected Lay Deputies to represent the same in the Council of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Alabama, at its session to be held at ..... in the year of our Lord, 18...

CANON II.—OF THE TREASURER OF THE DIOCESE.

Election and Term of Office—Duty.

SECTION 1. (*a*) A Treasurer shall be annually elected by the Council, who shall serve until his successor is chosen.

(*b*) It shall be his duty to receive, preserve and disburse all funds collected by order or on account of the Council, unless when otherwise provided for.

Accounts and Reports.

(*c*) He shall keep an accurate account of all assessments laid by the Council, and of all payments or remissions which shall be made thereon; and he shall render a full report to each annual Council, showing in detail his receipts and disbursements, and all arrearages which may remain due and unpaid.

List for Secretary.

(*d*) He shall furnish the Secretary, at the opening of each Council, a list of all parishes which have paid their assessments in full.

Time of Closing Accounts.

SEC. 2. All Treasurer's accounts shall be closed and balanced on the Wednesday preceding the meeting of the Council; and two weeks before such date, the Treasurer shall send notice thereof to all parishes and missions in arrears to him.

Transfer to Successor.

SEC. 3. Upon retiring from office, the Treasurer of the Diocese shall pay over to his successor all funds remaining in his hands and also transfer to him all books and papers belonging to the diocese which may be in his possession.

Duplicate Receipts from all Treasurers.

SEC. 4. All Treasurers reporting to the Council shall issue duplicate receipts for all moneys received by them, one of which shall be sent to the Secretary of the Council.

CANON III—OF THE REGISTRAR.

Safe-Keeping of Documents.

SECTION 1. A Registrar shall be elected by the Council of the Diocese, who shall be an officer of the Council, and whose duty it shall be to provide a suitable safe for the preservation of deeds or other conveyances of all Church property, the original articles of association of all parishes, and any other documents of interest and value to the Church in this Diocese which may be deposited with him; and he shall also use reasonable diligence in collecting and preserving all such papers as may now be in existence, or shall hereafter be executed.

Duties of Rectors, Vestries and Trustees, with regard to the Registrar.

SEC. 2. (*a*) It shall be the duty of all rectors or vestries of parishes, trustees of Church property, and any one into whose hands conveyances of real estate for Church purposes may come, to have the same duly recorded and certified, and then promptly deposit the same, or a certified copy thereof, with the Registrar, who shall examine such instruments, and finding them duly recorded and certified, shall enter the title thereof in a catalogue to be formed of such papers, shall file them in due order and deposit them in his safe, subject to the order and control of the Council.

Duty of the Secretary with regard to the Registrar.

(*b*) It shall be the duty of the Secretary of the Council to turn over to the Registrar all articles of association of parishes which are admitted into union with the Council.

Preservation of Journals.

SEC. 3. The Registrar shall collect and preserve at least one copy of the Journal of every Council of the Diocese and of every General Convention, and the charges and pastoral letters at any time issued by the Bishops of this Diocese, and have the same suitably bound in convenient volumes.

Record of Acts.

SEC. 4. The Registrar shall provide a suitable book in which to record such Episcopal or clerical acts as may be deemed proper by the Bishop, and shall report thereon annually to the Council.

Term of Office.

SEC. 5. The Registrar shall continue in office until his successor be elected, to whom he shall transfer all papers and other property in his possession.

CANON IV—OF THE CHANCELLOR.

Adviser of the Bishop—Counsel of the Diocese

A Chancellor of the Diocese shall be elected by the Council at each annual meeting, who shall be the adviser of the Bishop in all legal matters pertaining to the Diocese, and counsel in all suits at law that may arise in the administration of its affairs.

CANON V.—OF THE DIOCESAN PRINTER.

Printing the Journal and Other Documents—Compensation—Bids may be Received.

The Council shall elect a Diocesan Printer, who shall hold his office during the pleasure of the Council. His duty shall be to print the annual reports of the Council in a suitable form, and of convenient size; and also to print in like form and of like size whatever addresses, circulars, pastoral letters or other documents the Bishop may from time to time see fit to issue to the clergy or to the laity of the Diocese; and he shall be entitled to draw upon the Treasurer for the customary and reasonable cost of such labor, when performed and approved by the Standing Committee of the Diocese. *Provided*, That this shall not be construed as preventing the Secretary from receiving bids, and having the work done by other parties, if, in his opinion, the interests of the Church shall so require.

CANON VI—OF DEPUTIES TO THE GENERAL CONVENTION.

Deputies to the General Convention.

The Diocesan Council shall elect, at a regular annual meeting, deputies to the General Convention, who shall continue in office until a new election shall be had.

CANON VII—OF THE DIVISION OF PARISHES.

Division of Parishes, by Consent.

SECTION 1. When any portion of a parish in connection with this Council shall desire to be separated from the parish to which they belong, and to be erected into a new parish, they shall first secure the consent of the parish, adopt the articles of association, and apply to the Council for admission.

If Contested.

SEC. 2. In case the parish should not consent to the proposed division, the portion seeking it shall make known the fact to the Council, and the Council shall then decide upon the expediency of separation.

CANON VIII—OF THE VESTRY.

Election—Wardens

SECTION 1. In every parish there shall be an annual election on Easter Monday, or on such day thereafter as the parish may appoint, of a Vestry, consisting of not less than three and not more than eleven members, who shall continue in office until their successors are chosen. Two of the Vestry shall be appointed to serve as Wardens, one of whom shall be designated as the Senior Warden of the parish.

Clerk of the Vestry.

SEC. 2 The Vestry shall elect a Secretary, whose duty it shall be to take and record the minutes of their proceedings, attest the public acts of the Vestry, preserve all records and papers belonging to the parish, perform all such other duties as shall be legally assigned to him, and faithfully to deliver into the hands of his successor all books and documents that may be in his possession belonging to the parish.

Treasurer of the Vestry

SEC. 3. The Vestry shall elect a Treasurer, whose duty it shall be to receive and disburse all moneys collected under authority of

the Vestry, the collection and disbursement of which is not otherwise provided for. He shall keep an accurate account of all moneys that come into his hands, and submit an exhibit of the same annually, and whenever called upon to do so.

Qualifications of Voters.

SEC. 4. In every parish the qualifications of voters shall be determined and regulated by the parish itself; but in the formation of new parishes, no person shall be entitled to vote who shall not have signed the articles of association.

Qualifications of Vestrymen.

SEC. 5. No person shall be elected as Vestryman who is not a qualified voter in the parish for which he is elected: *Provided,* That no person shall be qualified to act as Vestryman who does not believe in the truth of the Holy Scriptures and approve the doctrine and worship of the Protestant Episcopal Church.

Duty of the Vestry.

SEC. 6. It shall be the duty of the Vestry to take charge of the property of the Church, to regulate its temporal concerns, elect and call a minister, and provide for his maintenance; to keep order in church during the celebration of Divine worship, and in general to act as helpers to the minister in whatever is appropriate to laymen for the furtherance of the gospel.

Duty of Wardens.

SEC. 7. It shall be the duty of the Wardens especially to provide the elements for the Lord's Supper, to collect the alms at the administration of the same, to keep and disburse such alms, in case the church is destitute of a minister, to provide for the celebration of public worship and the instruction of the congregation by occasional clerical services, or by lay reading, as circumstances may admit.

Rector to Preside and Vote

SEC. 8. (*a*) The Rector of every parish shall ex-officio preside as Chairman at Vestry meetings, and shall be entitled to a casting vote in case of a tie, in all questions except those in which he may be personally concerned.

To Call Vestry Meetings

(*b*) The rector shall have power to call Vestry meetings at any time, giving reasonable notice; and it shall be his duty to do so whenever he may be requested by three members of the Vestry.

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Senior Warden May Call.

(c) In his absence, or if the parish is without a rector, the Senior Warden, or any two members of the Vestry, shall have power to call Vestry meetings, giving reasonable notice.

Regular Meetings.

SEC. 9. There shall be holden four regular Vestry meetings in each year—one on Easter Monday, and the others quarterly thereafter.

Vacancies.

SEC. 10. Vacancies in the Vestry, caused by death, resignation or otherwise, may be filled by the remaining members.

CANON IX.—OF THE CLERGY.

The Clerical List.

SECTION 1. Before the meeting of every Council the Bishop, or if there be no Bishop, the clerical members of the Standing Committee shall cause to be prepared a list of all the clergymen canonically resident in the Diocese, annexing the name of their respective cures, or parishes, or stations as missionaries, or of the institutions of learning in which they are engaged; and the places of residence of such as are not employed in either of the ways above mentioned; specifying at the same time who of either class are deacons—but no person while suspended from the ministry shall have a place on such list—and such list shall be laid before the Council immediately after it shall have been called to order, and the names of the clerical members shall be called therefrom. The same shall be inserted in the journal, and a copy sent to the Secretary of the General Convention.

Disputed Seats.

SEC. 2. When the right of any clergyman to a seat in the Council is disputed, it shall be determined by the Council according to the provisions of the Constitution, whether his name be inserted in the list aforesaid or omitted.

Candidates Ineligible.

SEC. 3. No person who is a candidate for Holy Orders in the Church, shall be permitted to accept an appointment as deputy to the Council of the Diocese.

CANON X.—OF THE BISHOP'S FUND.

Trustees.

SECTION 1. (*a*) Three Trustees shall be annually elected by ballot by the Council; said Trustees to be selected from different parts of the Diocese, to manage the Bishop's Fund; one of whom, to be designated by the Council, shall be the Treasurer of said Fund.

Their Duties.

(*b*.) Said Trustees shall hold the said Fund, and manage and invest the same by such rules and regulations as the Council has prescribed, or may hereafter prescribe.

Investments.

SEC. 2. (*a*) It shall be the duty of said Trustees to keep said Fund safely invested in public securities of unquestioned validity, or other permanent and safe securities or investments; the interest thereon to be paid annually or oftener.

Reports.

(*b*) The Trustees and Treasurer shall make an annual report of the condition and management of the Fund, specifying clearly the existing investments.

Duty of Treasurer.

SEC. 3. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to collect and receive all moneys and other assets belonging to the said Fund, as well as the interest or other income arising therefrom, and to keep and account to the Council for the same.

Vacancies.

SEC. 4. In case of a vacancy in the office of Treasurer, by reason of death, resignation, or otherwise, the remaining Trustees shall fill the vacancy until the next Council.

TITLE II.

General Regulations of Ministers Their Duties

CANON I.—OF ATTENDANCE UPON COUNCIL.

SECTION 1. The regular attendance of the clergy at the meetings of the Council being deemed of great importance to the interests of the Church, is a duty with which no slight obstacle should be allowed to interfere. And it is recommended to the parishes to make provision for the expenses of their respective ministers in attending the Council.

CANON II.—OF ADMISSION TO PARISHES.

SECTION 1. No clergyman shall be admitted to the pastoral charge of any parish, unless he first produce to the Vestry thereof a certificate from the Bishop, or in case there be no Bishop, from the Standing Committee, that he has presented satisfactory testimonials that he is an accredited minister of the Church in good standing.

CANON III—OF THE PARISH REGISTER AND REPORTS.

Parish Book-Keeping—Records.

SECTION 1. Every minister shall keep a register of all the baptisms, confirmations, marriages and funerals solemnized by him, or in his parish by any other minister, specifying the names and times of birth of the children baptized, together with the names of parents and sponsors; the names of adults baptized, and also the witnesses of the baptism; the names of those confirmed, and by whom; the names of persons married, and of persons buried; and also the times when each rite and sacrament was performed. This register shall be kept in a book provided for that purpose, and belonging to the Vestry in each parish, which book shall be called the Parish Register, and be considered as a part of the records of the parish.

Registration.

SEC. 2. In addition to the register above named, the minister of each parish shall keep a list of the communicants and families within his cure, specifying the time when the former became com-

municants of his parish, and whether by removal from some other parish or otherwise.

Parochial Reports

SEC. 3. Every minister shall, on the first day of every annual Council, deliver, or cause to be delivered, to the Bishop of the Diocese, or if there be no Bishop, to the President of the Council, a statement of the number of baptisms, marriages, funerals and confirmations within his cure since the last Council; the number of communicants and the number of baptized persons not communicants, specifying the number of removals, deaths and additions from other churches, or otherwise, during the same time; also, the number of pupils and teachers connected with the Sunday schools; and the amount—first, of all expenditures for parochial purposes; second, of all charities and benefactions within the parish, within the Diocese, or elsewhere; and third, of all contributions, however raised, for any Church objects not included in the forenamed items, together with a concise statement of whatever other matters may be important in showing the state of the parish.

Parish Clerk—Report by the Warden.

SEC. 4. In every parish destitute of a minister, the register shall be kept by some person appointed by the Vestry for that purpose and the annual parochial reports shall be presented or forwarded to the Bishop, or President of the Council if there be no Bishop, by the Senior Warden of the parish.

CANON IV—OF VACANT PARISHES.

Notification to the Bishop - Bishop's Supply.

SECTION 1. Whenever a vacancy shall occur in the rectorship of any parish, it shall be the duty of the Vestry of such parish promptly to notify the Bishop of such vacancy; and in the event of the failure of the Vestry, for a period of three months, to give such notification to the Bishop, or if the Vestry inform him that no adequate steps are being taken to supply the vacancy, or its inability to supply it, then the Bishop, if he shall see fit to do so, may appoint a clergyman to officiate temporarily in said parish, or until the vacancy in the rectorship shall have been supplied by the action of the Vestry; and it is hereby declared to be the duty of the parish to provide, according to its ability, for the maintenance of the clergyman so officiating.

CANON V—OF CONVOCATIONS.

Convocations—How Formed.

SECTION 1. The Diocese shall be divided by the Bishop, for missionary purposes, into Convocational Districts, with such boundaries as he may from time to time determine.

How Governed.

SEC. 2. (*a*) The presiding officer of each Convocation shall be appointed by the Bishop, such office to be held at his discretion, with such title—Dean, Archdeacon, or the like—as the Bishop may prefer to bestow.

Duty of Dean.

(*b*) It shall be the duty of this presiding officer to direct the mission work of his Convocation, under the direction of the Bishop, to preside at its meetings, and in general to do such work as may be committed to him by the Bishop.

Other Officers.

(*c*) The other officers of the Convocation, as Secretary, Treasurer, etc., shall be elected by the Convocation, and shall perform such duties as may be committed to them by the Convocation.

Duties of Members—Expenses.

SEC. 3. It shall be the duty of every clergyman in the Diocese to attend the meetings of his Convocation when duly called, and to officiate at any point or points within the Convocation to which he belongs on at least four Sundays in the year, at such times and places as shall be appointed by the Bishop, or by the presiding officer of the Convocation, acting by the authority of the Bishop; *provided, however*, That the necessary expenses of such missionary services shall be defrayed from the Diocesan Mission Fund, or any other funds that may be available.

TITLE III.

OF DISCIPLINE.

CANON I—OF THE TRIAL OF A CLERGYMAN, NOT BEING A BISHOP.

Enacting Clause.

Whenever any minister of this Diocese, not being a Bishop thereof, shall become "liable to presentment and trial" under the provisions of any Canon of the General Convention or the Diocesan Council, the mode of proceeding in this Diocese shall be as follows, viz.:

Trial upon Presentment—By a Vestry—By Three Priests.

SECTION 1. (*a*) The trial shall be on a presentment in writing, addressed to the Bishop of the Diocese, specifying the offense of which the accused is alleged to be guilty, with reasonable certainty as to time, place and circumstances. Such presentment may be made by the major part in number of the members of the Vestry of any church of which the accused is a minister, or by any three presbyters of this Diocese entitled to seats in the Council, or as hereinafter mentioned.

By the Bishop's Appointment.

(*b*) Whenever, from public rumor or otherwise, the Bishop shall have reason to believe that any clergyman is under the imputation of having been guilty of any offense or misconduct, for which he is liable to be tried, and that the interest of the Church require an investigation, or upon the written request of the party himself, it shall be his duty to appoint three persons, of whom two at least shall be presbyters, to examine the case, a majority of whom may make such examination; and if there is, in their opinion, sufficient ground for presentment, shall present the clergyman accordingly.

The Bishop to Dismiss, or Modify Charges.

SEC. 2. (*a*) A presentment being made in one of the modes above prescribed, the Bishop, if the facts charged shall not appear to him to be such as constitute an offense, may dismiss it; or if it allege facts, some of which do and some do not constitute an offense, he may allow it in part, and dismiss the residue or he

may permit it to be amended; and he shall, in all cases, take care that the presentment shall set forth a substantial offense, upon which a verdict and final judgment can be pronounced, as hereinafter provided.

A Copy to be Served—Formation of a Court—Time of Trial—The Bishop a Party.

(*b*) When it shall be allowed in whole or in part, the Bishop shall cause a copy of it to be served on the accused; and shall also nominate eight presbyters of this Diocese entitled to seats in the Council, and not being parties to the presentment, and cause a list of their names to be served on the accused, who shall, within thirty days after such service, select three of them, and notify their names in writing to the Bishop. And if he fails to do so, the Bishop shall select three, and the presbyters so selected shall form a board for the trial of the accused, and shall meet at such time and place as the Bishop may direct, and shall have power to adjourn from time to time, and from place to place (within the Diocese), as they shall think necessary; *Provided*, That in case the Bishop should be the party against whom the offense is charged to have been committed, or is himself a necessary and material witness in the case, the clerical members of the Standing Committee shall, at the instance of the Bishop, perform the duty above prescribed for the Bishop; *provided further*, that the Bishop may, in case of necessity, change the time and place of the assembling of the court, giving thirty days' notice of such change to the accused.

Confession.

SEC. 3. If a clergyman shall, at any time before the commencement of the trial, confess the facts charged in the presentment, the Bishop shall, with the consent and approval of the clerical members of the Standing Committee, proceed to pass sentence; otherwise he shall be considered as denying them.

Thirty Days' Notice

SEC. 4. A written notice of the time and place of their first meeting shall be served on the accused at least thirty days before such meeting, or at an earlier day by consent of both parties; and if practicable, a like notice on one or more of those making the presentment.

To Complete the Court.

SEC. 5. If, at the time appointed for the first meeting of the board, the whole number of three do not attend, those present may adjourn from time to time, and if it appears at that time or later, improbable that the whole number will attend within a reasonable time, then such as may be present shall nominate five presbyters, from whom the accused, or if he fails or neglects, then the Bishop, shall select one or more necessary to fill up the Board, and the trial shall proceed, and a majority of the Board shall decide all questions.

Confession, or Pleading—Change of Charge.

SEC. 6. If a clergyman presented shall confess the truth of the facts alleged in the presentment, and shall not demur thereto, it shall be the duty of the court to state their opinion to the Bishop as to the sentence which should be pronounced; and if he does not confess, then he shall be considered as denying them. The board shall, during the progress of the trial, and without delay, permit the presentment to be amended in matter of form, and as to facts, not materially changing the charges. Amendments in matters of substance may also be allowed, if justice to the accused or the interests of the Church so require, but upon such conditions as will prevent surprise, and will secure a full and fair investigation and trial.

Absence of Accused.

SEC. 7. If a clergyman presented, after having had due notice, shall not appear before the Board of Presbyters appointed for his trial, the board may, nevertheless, proceed as if he were present, unless for good cause they shall see fit to adjourn till another day.

Evidence.

SEC. 8. (*a*) When the board proceeds to trial, they shall hear such relevant and competent evidence as shall be produced, which shall be reduced to writing and subscribed by the witnesses respectively. At the request of either party, the witnesses shall be sworn by an officer of the law authorized to do so, that they will testify the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth, as to the facts charged in the presentment.

Confession.

(*b*) If on or during the trial the accused shall confess the truth of the charges, as stated in the presentment, the board may dis-

pense with hearing further evidence, and may proceed at once to state their opinion to the Bishop as to the sentence that ought to be pronounced.

Testimony of Non-Attendant Witnesses.

SEC. 9. Upon the application of either party to the Bishop, or to the Court after its organization, and it being made satisfactorily to appear that any material witness cannot be produced on the trial, the Bishop or the Court may appoint a commissioner to take the testimony of such witness, and shall prescribe what notice shall be given to the other party of the time and place of taking such testimony. Both parties may attend and examine the witness, and the questions and answers shall be reduced to writing and signed by the witness, and shall be certified by the commissioner and enclosed under his seal, and transmitted to the board, and shall be received by them as evidence. The witness so examined shall be sworn according to law.

Decision of the Court.

SEC. 10. (*a*) The board having deliberately considered the evidence, shall declare in a writing signed by them, or a majority of them, their decision on the charges contained in the presentment, distinctly stating whether the accused is guilty or not guilty of the charges respectively, and also stating the sentence which, in their opinion, ought to be pronounced; and a copy of such decision shall be, without delay, communicated to the accused, and the original decision, together with the evidence, shall be delivered to the Bishop, who shall pronounce such canonical sentence as shall appear to him to be proper; *provided*, the same shall not exceed in severity the sentence recommended by the board, and such sentence shall be final.

New Trial.

(*b*) But the Bishop, if he shall be satisfied that justice requires it, may grant a new trial to the accused; in which case, a new Board of Presbyters shall be appointed, the proceedings before whom shall be conducted as before mentioned.

Time and Place of Sentence.

(*c*) Before pronouncing any sentence, the Bishop shall summon the accused and any three or more of the Clergy, to meet him at such time as may, in his opinion, be most convenient, in

some church, to be designated by him, which shall for that purpose be open to all persons who may choose to attend, and the sentence shall be then and there pronounced by the Bishop.

Renunciation of Error of Doctrine or Ritual.

(*d*) *Provided*, however, that if the accused be convicted of an error in doctrine, or non-conformity to the rubrics of the Book of Common Prayer, and if the accused at such public assembly at such church, shall then and there, in writing, renounce the error of which he has been convicted, or avow his purpose of future conformity to the rubrics, and shall submit to the judgment of the Church, pronounced in his case; then, for a first offense, the sentence shall not exceed in severity that of admonition.

Service.

SEC. 11. All notices and papers contemplated in this Canon, may be served by a summoner or summoners, to be appointed by the Bishop or by the Court, and whose certificate of service shall be evidence thereof. In case of service by any other person, it shall be proved by his affidavit thereof. A written notice or paper delivered to a party, or left at his residence, shall be deemed a sufficient service thereof.

Counsel.

SEC. 12. Counsel shall be allowed on either side, provided they are communicants of the church.

Witnesses.

SEC. 13. If any communicant of the Church shall be summoned as a witness before the Court of Inquiry, or the board for the trial of the accused, and shall, without sufficient excuse, neglect or refuse to attend, or shall refuse to testify or be sworn or affirmed, such person shall be deemed guilty of a violation of Godly discipline.

Authority of the Bishop.

SEC. 14. All matters of government and discipline and proceedings connected therewith, not especially provided for by Canon, are within the authority and jurisdiction of the Bishop by virtue of his office.

Expenses of Trial.

SEC. 15. The expenses necessarily incurred in any investiga-

tion or trial under this Canon, including those of the accused when found innocent, shall be audited and settled under the direction of the Court, and shall be reported by them to the next Council for payment, as the Council may direct.

TITLE IV.

MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS.

CANON I.—OF THE REPEAL OF CANONS.

1. Whenever there shall be a repealing clause in any Canon, and the said Canon shall be repealed, such repeal shall not be a re-enactment of the Canon or Canons repealed by the said repealing clause.

CANON II.—ON THE ENACTMENT AND ALTERATION OF CANONS.

1. In all cases of future enactment, the same, if by way of amendment of an existing provision, shall be in the following form: "Canon ...., or, section ..... of Canon....., or, clause .... of section .... of Canon ...., of Title ...., is hereby amended so as to read as follows:" And if the enactment is of an additional clause, section or Canon, it shall be designated as the next Canon, or next section, or next clause of a Canon or section, in the order of numbering of the title to which the subject properly belongs; and if a Canon or section, or clause, be stricken out, the existing numbering shall be retained until a new edition of the Canons be directed.

2. No proposed alteration of, or addition to the Canons, shall be considered by the Council, unless by unanimous consent, without at least one day's notice thereof in open Council; nor shall such alteration or addition be adopted during the same Council, if two-thirds of the votes of both orders shall not concur therein; but in such case, the same shall lie over for consideration until the next annual meeting of the Council.

ARTICLES OF ASSOCIATION

Recommended for the Organization of New Parishes.

We, whose names are hereunto subscribed, desiring to enjoy the privileges of religious worship and instruction according to the forms and doctrines of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, have this ..... day of ..... A. D., at ..... in the State of Alabama, formed ourselves into a congregation, and adopted the following Articles of Association:

ARTICLE I. This Association or Congregation shall be known by the name of the rector, wardens and vestry of——— Church.

ART. II. This Association acknowledges, accedes to, and adopts the Constitution, canons, doctrines, discipline and worship of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, and the Constitution and Canons of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Alabama.

ART. III. When any person uniting with this Association shall disclaim or refuse conformity to the authorities mentioned in the preceding article, he shall cease to be a member of the Association, and shall no longer enjoy the privilege of voting in the election of Vestrymen, of being elected, or of exercising any function concerning or connected with the said Association.

ART. IV. The Vestrymen of——— Church, shall be elected annually, on the Monday in Easter week, by a majority of the voters assembled for that purpose; and if the election shall fail to be effected on Easter Monday, then it shall be had as soon thereafter as may be, notice to that effect having been given publicly to the congregation on the preceding Sunday, or some other convenient occasion previous to the day of election. The Vestrymen so elected shall continue in office for one year, or until others are chosen.

ART. V. The Rector of——— Church shall be elected by the Wardens and Vestrymen in open meeting, which shall be duly convened for that purpose, they having due regard in all such elections to the previously ascertained wishes of the congregation, and especially of the communicants of the Church.

ART. VI. No person shall be chosen Rector or Minister, or

Associate Rector or Minister of ——— Church, or be allowed to exercise any of the functions of the sacred ministry in the same, unless he shall be recognized by the Bishop having charge of this Diocese, or if there is no Bishop, by the Standing Committee of the same, as an ordained Minister of the Protestant Episcopal Church in good standing; *Provided*, That nothing in this article shall be construed to prevent the Wardens and Vestry from inviting any regular ordained Minister of the Protestant Episcopal Church, in good standing, and not known to be discountenanced by the authority aforesaid, to officiate occasionally in the Church, or to interfere with the performance of the usual services by Lay readers duly appointed to officiate in the congregation in the absence of the Minister.

ART. VII. The annual rents, contributions and other revenues raised by this Association or Congregation, shall be from time to time, applied by the Wardens and Vestry to the maintenance and support of the Rector or Minister, and to such other objects as are connected with the well-being of the Church, and to no other purposes whatever.

ART. VIII. This Association, or the "Rector, Wardens and Vestry of ——— Church," or other persons in whose name the property of ——— Church may be vested, shall not, by deed or any other means, without the consent of the Bishop having charge of the Diocese, under his hand—or if there be no such Bishop, of the Standing Committee of the said Diocese, by a majority thereof, under their hands—previously had and obtained, grant, alienate, or otherwise dispose of any lands, messuages, hereditaments, in them vested for the use and benefit of said Church, nor charge nor encumber the same to any person whatsoever.

ART. IX. In the case of the dissolution or extinction of this Association, for any cause whatever, the lands, tenements and other estates, real or personal, if such there be, shall vest in the Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church in this Diocese, or under whose supervision it may for the time be, and his Canonical successors, to be by him and them held in trust for the benefit of a future Congregation of the Protestant Episcopal Church, which may be formed in the same place or its vicinity, and upon the same principles as the present Church and Association.

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ASTOR, LENOX
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	Number	MINISTERIAL OFFICES: Instructions to Classes in the nature of Lectures	Business Meetings Attended	Visits: Official Visits to Parishioners, with Service	Visits: Unofficial Visits to the Sick or Troubled, without Service	Visits: Ordinary Parochial Calls	Total of all Ministerial Offices	No. of Visitations	No. of Private Confirmations	No. of Persons Confirmed	Male	Female	Adults
	1							2		17			
	2		12	100	146	753	543	1	1	22	9	13	1
	3												
	4							1		7			
	5				2		58	1		12	5	7	1
	6					20	31	1		4	1	3	
	7							1		15	4	11	1
	8		3			150	88	1		11	4	7	1
6	9	7	5	25	40	300		1		4		4	
	10												
	11												
	12												
	13		1			25	10						
	14			1	2	40		1		1		1	
	15			19	47	125	66	1		10	6	4	
	16												
	17							1					
	18												
	19			4		176	76	1		5	1	4	
	20							1		1			
	21												
	22												
38	23	66	96	69	141	528	674	4	1	37	15	22	2
	24							1		47			
	25		105			1,089	518	3		123	46	77	5
	26							1		23			
	27												
	28							1		11	5	6	
50	29	8	3	2	15	100		1		7	3	4	
	30												
12	31	5	12			200		1		3			
	32												
	33							1		4			
	34	12	4	11	20	150	32	1		17	7	10	
	35			6				1		3		3	
6	36												
	37							1		17	6	11	
	38												
	39							1		18			
	40							1		7			
	41							1					
	42							1		10			
	43												
	44			5				1		1			
	45												
	46												
	47												
	48							1					
	49												
13	50	14						1		8			
9	51							1		10	5	5	
	52												
	53							1		3			
	54												
	55												
	56					50							
								39		457			

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OPAL ACTS							PUBLIC SERVICES					
ONFIRMATIONS							SUNDAYS		WEEK DAYS			
Minors	No. Confirmed in Private	Number who are Heads of Families	Number Rec'd from other Relig's Bodies	From the Sunday School	From the Church	Without Religious Antecedents	Number of Publ'c Services on Sundays	No. Sessions of the Sunday School	No. Public Services on Week Days	Number Sessions of Classes, not in S.S.	Aggregate of all Services for Instruction or Worship.	Number
			6				90				90	1
3	2	4	10	2	10	1	128	33	100		261	2
												3
							14	19	3		36	4
2		5	4	4	8		22	40	53		115	5
					2		20				20	6
		8	8		6	1	60	52	20		132	7
1		5	8				88	52	70		262	8
3		1	1	3			132	53	114	88	387	9
												10
												11
							104	52	50		206	12
							16	52	6		74	13
1							10		6		16	14
		1	1	5	4							15
												16
							104	52	188		344	17
							26	52			78	18
4		1		2			30		52		82	19
												20
												21
												22
12	2	11	9	12	13	3	128	44	107	48	327	23
			4				51	52	115		218	24
68		14	40				106	54	66	46	272	25
							180	52	164		296	26
												27
			4									28
2		3	4	3			45	8	25		78	29
								52	13		65	30
			2				48	50	56	5	48	31
												32
												33
12		4	1	12	4		104	52	98	12	266	34
							18	36	40		94	35
							22		10		32	36
10		3	4	6	13		41	52	14	1	108	37
												38
		5			18		9	16				39
		5	5			2	10	52				40
							20	12				41
							20	50			70	42
												43
		1			1			48	24		62	44
							20	50				45
												46
												47
												48
												49
			3		5		96		210			50
3		2	7				30					51
												52
					3		9	52				53
												54
							22					55
							11		1			56
			121									

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AMA, FOR THE YEAR ENDING

REARAGES			RESTATEMENT OF TOTALS					
Arrearage paid to Rector	Other Arrearages	Total of Arrearages	General	Diocesan	Parochial	Arrearages	Grand Aggregate for the Year to Balance Income	Mortgage Debt
$	$	$	$ 9 41	$ 569 20	$ 31,060 34	$	$ 31,638 95	$
		233 84	144 68	734 67	7,186 63	233 84	8,299 32	
					199 40		199 40	
			11 00	58 25	610 10		679 35	
							198 00	
			57 00	53 60	13,091 55		13,202 15	
			49 70	233 35	948 14		1,231 19	
138 58	50 00	1,787 18	5 05	62 00	4,080 29	1,787 18	5,934 52	
							500 00	
			5 00	18 00	200 00		223 00	
			21 80	50 05	375 25		447 10	
				12 40	124 40		136 80	
				20 00	250 00		270 00	
			30 00	651 00	1,573 53		2,234 53	
			5 00	86 50	450 00		531 50	
			108 45	574 37	2,611 23		3,294 05	
			12 00	50 80	415 00		477 80	
							150 00	
				18 00	250 00		268 00	
							500 00	
			65 25	1,745 21	17,764 48		19,274 94	
			29 45	638 90	2,518 64		3,186 99	
				585 75	6,049 40		6,635 15	
			25 00	1,221 10	14,423 35		15,669 45	
							30 00	
			8 10	580 75	3,905 96		4,494 81	
				11 09	2,115 00		2,126 09	1,00
				15 00	151 35		166 35	
			11 00	30 41	676 64		718 05	
							180 00	
				15 00	77 50		92 50	
			12 50	472 50	1,774 00		2,259 00	
				10 00	209 78		219 78	
112 67			15 60	88 95	398 90	112 67	616 12	
			16 18	10 10	296 66		322 94	
				15 00	78 70		93 70	
							20 00	
							50 00	
				20 00	136 20		156 20	
							50 00	
			5 00	15 00	150 00		170 00	
			5 60	25 00	468 55		499 15	
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			$652 77	$8,805 05	$116,049 75	$2,133 69	$129,218 55	

MAY, 1888.

PRESENT CONDITION

Floating Debt	Salaries, Assessments, etc. Diocesan and Parochial, Unpaid and Due.	Cash in Hands of Treasurer	Cash Held by Guilds and Societies	Special Funds Held in Trust	Assets Due and not Collected	Amount of Insurance	Amount of Capital Invested at Present Valuation	Number
$	$	$492 26	$ 45 00	$	$	$ 6,000 00	$ 123,000 00	1
116 35			1,509 50			2,500 00	36,050 00	2
						2,500 00		3
47 75		44 40				23 00	900 00	4
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								8
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								21
								22
		107 52		1,153 60		24,000 00	68,000 00	23
								24
		305 62	331 02	379 50		6,250 00	11,200 00	25
								26
								27
		9 37					31,500 00	28
					500 00	1,000 00	5,050 00	29
								30
						1,000 00		31
								32
								33
200 00		80 00			100 00	5,000 00	15,500 00	34
								35
						1,000 00	3,900 00	36
		3 10	5[illegible]				1,400 00	37
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LIST OF CLERGY

Canonically Belonging to the Diocese of Alabama.

POST-OFFICES.

RT. REV. RICH'D H. WILMER, D.D. LL. D., Bishop, { Spring Hill P.O., Mobile County.

REV. W. T. ALLEN, St. Luke's, Jacksonville, Cross Plains, Piedmont, Gadsden.....Jacksonville.
" J. M. BANISTER, D. D., Church of the Nativity.....Huntsville.
" RO. W. BARNWELL, St. Paul's Church.....Selma.
" THOS. J. BEARD, Church of The Advent.....Birmingham.
" THOS. BURRY (Deacon) Ass't St. Paul's Chapel....Anniston.
" THOS. A. COOK, ——— ———. .....Alpine.
" R. H. COBBS, D. D., St. Andrews, Gallion, and St. Paul's Church.....Greensboro.
" BENJAMIN DENNIS, St. Michael's, Faunsdale, and Church of the Holy Cross.....Uniontown.
" WALTER R. DYE, St. Stephen's, Eutaw; St. Mark's, Fork of Green, and St. James Church.....Livingston.
" GEO. M. EVERHART, D. D.....Decatur, Ga.
" PHILIP A. FITTS, Grace Church .....Anniston.
" D. F. HOKE, (Deacon).....
" JOSEPH JAMESON, St. Peter's Church..... .....Talladega.
" J. C. JOHNES, (Deacon) Officiating at Grace Church, Trinity; St. Luke's, Scottsboro; St. Trinity, Athens..... ....Trinity.
" JOHN J. HARRIS, (Deacon) Assisting at Christ Ch..Tuscaloosa.
" JOHN A. HARRISON, D. D., Trinity Church.....Demopolis.
" J. L. LANCASTER, Trinity Church.....Mobile.
" F. B. LEE, Grace, Dallas and St. Paul's.....Carlowville.
" CHAS. H. LOCKWOOD, Assist Grace Church.....Anniston.
" VARDRY MCBEE, Church of the Holy Comforter....Montgomery.
" B. F. MOWER, Trinity Church.....Florence.
" A. W. PIERCE, Church of the Good Shepherd.....Mobile.
" L. W. ROSE, St. Mary's Church.....Birmingham.
" ERASTUS W. SPALDING, D. D., Grace, Clayton; Columbia and St. James's Church.....Eufaula.
" J. F. SMITH, Evangelist, Ironton, Clinton, Montevallo and Briarfield.....Talladega.
" WM. A. STICKNEY, Evangelist.....Faunsdale.
" HORACE STRINGFELLOW, D. D., St. John's.....Montgomery.
" JAS. H. STRINGFELLOW, Christ Church .....Tuscaloosa.
" LAWSON H. SNELL, (Deacon) Officiating at St. Mark's, Troy, and Trinity Church.....Union Springs.
" J. L. TUCKER, D. D., Christ Church.....Mobile.
" GARDINER C. TUCKER, St. John's Church.....Mobile.
" GEO. R. UPTON, St. Mary's, Evergreen; St. Thomas's Church, Greenville; St. Paul's, Lowndesboro: St. Andrew's, Haynesville... .....Greenville.
" J. A. VANHOOSE, (Deacon) Officiating at Bessemer, and other points around .....Birmingham.
" DEB. WADDELL, St. John's, Tuscumbia, and Grace Church.....Sheffield.
" ROBERT A. WALKER, St. Luke's, Dallas, and St. Wilfrid's Church.....Marion.
" W. C. WHITAKER, (Deacon) Officiating at Emanuel Church, Opelika, and Holy Innocents.....Auburn.

Officers of the Council.

President:
RT. REV. R. H. WILMER, D. D. LL.D., Spring Hill, Mobile Co.

Secretary:
REV. R. H. COBBS, D. D., Greensboro.

Treasurer of the Diocese.
MR. GEO. A. WILKINS, Selma.

Treasurer of the Diocesan Missionary Fund:
MR. C. E. WALLER, Greensboro.

Registrar:
MR. T. G. FOSTER, Montgomery.

Chancellor:
MR. F. B. CLARK. JR., Mobile.

Standing Committee of the Diocese:
REV. J. L. TUCKER, D. D.,
" H. STRINGFELLOW, D. D.,
" G. C. TUCKER,
MR. H. T. TOULMIN,
" F. B. CLARK, JR.,
" R. S. BUNKER.

Trustees of the Bishop's Fund:
MR. N. H. R. DAWSON, J. H. FITTS, H. C. TOMPKINS.

Treasurer of the Bishop's Fund:
MR. N. H. R. DAWSON, Selma.

Trustees of the University of the South for Alabama:
REV. GEO. M. EVERHART, D. D., W. W. SCREWS, J. W. NOBLE.

Treasurer of the University of the South for Alabama:
MR. H. A. LOWE, Mobile.

Missionary Board:
RT. REV. R. H. WILMER, D. D., President.
REV. H. STRINGFELLOW, D. D., Arch Deacon.
REV. J. M. BANISTER, D. D.,
" T. J. BEARD,
" E. W. SPALDING, D. D.,
" R. H. COBBS, D. D.,
" J. L. TUCKER. D. D.,
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" THOS. COBBS,
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" H. T. TOULMIN,
" C. E. WALLER.

Clerical Deputies to the General Convention:
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" J. L. TUCKER, D. D.,
REV. R. H. COBBS, D. D.,
" J. M. BANISTER, D. D.

Lay Deputies to General Convention:
H. T. TOULMIN, R. M. NELSON, H. C. TOMPKINS, J. W. NOBLE.

Alternate Deputies:
REV. T. J. BEARD.
" R. W. BARNWELL,
" P A. FITTS.
" E. W. SPALDING, D. D.,
MR. R. H. PEARSON,
" J. H. FITTS.
" C. E. WALLER.
" GEO. A. WILKINS.

Candidates for Priests' Orders:

LAWSON HARVEY SNELL,
JOHN CONWAY JOHNES,
WALTER C. WHITAKER.

Candidates for Deacons' Orders:

J. J. D. HALL, PERCY W. JONES,
JOSEPH F. JOHN.

Deaconesses:

Sister HARRIET	Church Home,	Mobile.
" REBECCA	" "	"
" ELIZABETH	" "	"
" SARAH	" "	"
" BELLE	" "	"
" MARY	" "	"
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Examiners:

REV. H. STRINGFELLOW, D. D.,
" R. H. COBBS, D. D.,
" J. L. TUCKER, D. D.,
" J. M. BANISTER, D. D.,
REV. JNO. A. HARRISON, D. D.,
" THOS. J. BEARD,
" W. A STICKNEY,
" PHILIP A. FITTS.

Lay Readers:

PETER M. DOX, Huntsville.
F. B. LONG, Grace, Dallas.
M. LEROY BROUN, Auburn.
J. S. NEWMAN, Auburn.
EDWARD L. STICKNEY, Greensboro,
CHAS. E. WALLER, Greensboro,
JAS. B. HEAD, Birmingham.
JOSEPH F. JOHN, Selma.
AUSTIN BURBANK, Birmingham.
GEORGE ROOP, Trinity.
J. H. GRAY, Decatur.
S. H. GRUBER, Decatur.
H. T. TOULMIN, Mobile.
WILFRED BELLINGER, Coalburg.
THOS. C. SMITH, Prattville.
JOHN M. PATTON, Florence.
R. M. MIDDLETON, Bridgeport.
F. B. HILL, Boligee.

Attention is called to the fact that, under the Canons of the Church, Licenses to Lay Readers are required to be issued annually to Lay Readers upon recommendation of the Rectors of the respective Parishes.

Arch Deacon of the Diocese:

VENERABLE HORACE STRINGFELLOW, D. D., Montgomery.

Parishes and Mission Stations.

Anniston { Grace Church, Grace Chapel. }	Rev. Philip A. Fitts.
Athens—St. Timothy	" J. C. Johnes.
Auburn—Holy Innocents	" W. C. Whitaker.
Bessemer—Mission	" J. A. VanHoose.
Brierfield—Mission	" J. F. Smith.
Birmingham, Church of the Advent	" T. J. Beard.
" " { St. Mary's, St. Peters }	" L. W. Rose.
Bon Secour	The Dean.
Boligee—St. Mark's	Rev. W. R. Dye.
Carlowville—St. Paul's	" F. B. Lee.
Clayton—Grace	" E. W. Spalding, D. D.
Coalburg—Mission	" T. J. Beard.
Columbia—Mission	" E. W. Spalding, D. D.
Dallas County—Grace	" F. B. Lee.
" " —St. Luke's	" R. J. Walker.
Decatur—St. Paul's	Vacant.
Demopolis—Trinity	Rev. Jno. A. Harrison, D.D.
Eufaula—St. James'	" E. W. Spalding, D. D.
Eutaw—St. Stephens'	" W. R. Dye.
Evergreen—St. Mary's	" Geo. R. Upton.
Faunsdale—St. Michael's	" Benj. Dennis.
Forkland—St. John's	W. A. Stickney.
Fowl River—St. Mary's	Vacant.
Florence—Trinity	Rev. B. F. Mower.
Gadsden—Mission	" W. T. Allen.
Gallion—St. Andrews'	" R. H. Cobbs, D. D.
Gainesville—St. Alban's	Vacant.
Greensboro—St. Paul's	Rev. R. H. Cobbs, D. D.
Greenville—St. Thomas'	" Geo. R. Upton.
Haynesville—St. Andrews'	" Geo. R. Upton.
Huntsville—The Nativity	" J. M. Banister, D. D.
Jacksonville—St. Luke's	" W. T. Allen.
Lowndesboro—St. Paul's	" Geo. R. Upton.
Livingston—St. James'	" W. R. Dye.
Marion—St. Wilfrid's	" R. J. Walker.
Montevallo—Mission	" J. F. Smith.
Montgomery—St. John's	" H. Stringfellow, D. D.
" —Holy Comforter	" Vardry McBee.
Mobile—Christ Church	" J. L. Tucker, D. D.
" —Trinity	" J. L. Lancaster.
" —St. John's	" G. C. Tucker.
" —Good Shepherd	" A. W. Pierce.

Opelika—Emanuel..... " W. C. Whitaker,
Pushmataha—Calvary .....Vacant.
Piedmont—Christ Church .....Rev. W. T. Allen.
Selma—St. Paul's ..... " R. W. Barnwell.
Scottsboro—St. Luke's..... " J. C. Johnes.
Spring Hill—St. Paul's.....The Bishop.
Sheffield—Grace .....Rev. DeB. Waddell.
Talladega—St. Peter's ..... " Jos. Jameson.
Trinity—Grace .... " J. C. Johnes.
Tuscaloosa—Christ Church..... " J. H. Stringfellow.
Tuscumbia—St. John's .... " DeB. Waddell.
Troy—St. Mark's..... " L. H. Snell.
Uniontown—Holy Cross..... " Benj. Dennis.
Union Springs—Trinity ..... " L. H. Snell.
Whistler—St. Paul's.....Vacant.

Deans and Convocations.

Convocation of Mobile—Rev. J. L. Tucker, D. D., Dean. This Convocation embraces the counties of Mobile and Baldwin.

Convocation of Montgomery—Rev. Erastus W. Spalding, D. D., Dean This Convocation embraces counties of Montgomery, Conecuh, Butler, Lowndes, Autauga, Lee, Russell, Pike, Bullock and Barbour.

Convocation of Selma—Rev. R. H. Cobbs, D. D. Dean. This Convocation embraces counties of Dallas, Perry, Marengo, Hale, Choctaw and part of Greene.

Convocation of Birmingham—Rev. T. J. Beard, D. D., Dean, embracing the counties of Jefferson, Tuskaloosa, Sumter, part of Greene, St. Clair, Shelby, Bibb, Talladega and Calhoun.

Convocation of Huntsville—Rev. J. M. Banister, D. D., Dean, embracing counties of Madison, Jackson, Limestone, Morgan, Lawrence, Franklin and Lauderdale.

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FIRST DAY.

The Fifty-eighth Annual Council of the PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH, in the Diocese of Alabama, assebmled in St. Mary's Church, Birmingham, May 21st, 1889.

Morning Prayer was said at 11 o'clock A. M., and the sermon was preached by the Rev. W. T. ALLEN from the text, 1 Cor. xiii. 13:

"And now abideth Faith, Hope, Charity, these three; but the greatest of these is Charity."

The Holy Communion was celebrated by the Rt. Rev. R. H. WILMER, D. D., Bishop of the Diocese, assisted by the Rev. H. STRINGFELLOW, D. D.

Immediately after service, the Council was called to order by the Rt. Rev. President, who presented the following

List of Clergy Entitled to Seats in the Diocesan Council of 1889:

RT. REV. RICHARD H. WILMER, D. D.

Rev. W. T. Allen,	Rev. J. M. Banister, D. D.,
" Thos. J. Beard,	" Thomas Burry,
" R. H. Cobbs, D. D.,	" Benj. Dennis,
" Geo. M. Everhart, D. D.,	" P. A. Fitts,
" J. C. Johnes,	" John J. Harris,
" J. L. Lancaster,	" F. B. Lee,
" Vardry McBee,	" B. F. Mower,
" L. W. Rose,	" E. W. Spalding, D. D.,
" W. A. Stickney,	" H. Stringfellow, D. D.,
" R. W. Barnwell,	" Thos. A. Cook,
" W. R. Dye,	" Joseph Jameson,
" Jno. A. Harrison, D. D.,	" Chas. H. Lockwood,
" A. W. Pierce,	" J. F. Smith,
" J. H. Stringfellow,	" L. H. Snell,
" Geo. R. Upton,	" R. J. Walker,
" J. L. Tucker, D. D.,	" J. A. VanHoose,
" W. C. Whitaker,	" G. C. Tucker,

Rev. DeB. Waddell.

The Secretary of the last Council called the roll as thus presented, and the following were found to be present:

RT. REV. R. H. WILMER, D. D., LL. D.

Rev. W. T. Allen,
" Thos. J. Beard,
" W. R. Dye,
Joseph Jameson,
Rev. E. W. Spalding, D. D.,
" J. H. Stringfellow,
" J. A. VanHoose,
" R. W. Barnwell,
" P. A. Fitts,
" H. Stringfellow, D., D.,
Rev. J. M. Banister, D. D.,
" R. H. Cobbs, D. D..
" Geo. M. Everhart, D. D.,
" J. L. Lancaster,
" J. F. Smith,
" J. L. Tucker, D. D.,
" DeB. Waddell,
" Benjamin Dennis,
" L. W. Rose,
" G. C. Tucker.

The Treasurer of the Diocese, as required by Canon, presented the following

List of Parishes Entitled to Representation in this Council:

St. John's Parish, Montgomery.
St. Paul's Parish, Selma.
Trinity Parish, Mobile.
St. Mary's Parish. Birmingham.
Grace Church Parish, Anniston.
Trinity Parish, Demopolis.
Church of Holy Cross, Uniontown.
St. Thomas' Parish, Greenville.
St. Michael's Parish, Faunsdale.
Church of Holy Comforter, M'ntg'y.
St. Peter's Parish, Talladega.
St. Paul's Parish, Carlowville.
The Brierfield Mission.
St. Luke's Parish, Jacksonville.
St. Andrew's Parish, Hayneville.
St. Luke's Parish, Scottsboro.
St. Mary's Parish, Evergreen.
Christ Church, Cross Plains.
The Montevallo Mission.
St. Mark's Parish, Prattville.
Emmanuel Church, Opelika.
St. Paul's Parish, Whistler.
Grace Church, Tilden.
St. Timothy's Parish, Athens.
Christ Church Parish, Mobile.
Church of the Nativity, Huntsville.
Church of the Advent, Birmingham.
Christ Church Parish, Tuskaloosa.
St. John's Parish, Mobile.
St. Paul's Parish, Greensboro.
St. James Parish, Eufaula.
St. Andrew's Parish, Gallion.
Church of Good Shepherd, Mobile.
Trinity Parish, Florence.
St. James' Parish, Livingston.
Grace Church Parish, Sheffield.
St. Mark's Parish, Fork of Greene.
Church of Holy Innocents, Auburn.
St. John's Parish, Tuscumbia.
St. Mark's Parish, Troy.
St. Paul's Parish, Lowndesboro.
Grace Church, Tilden.
St. John's Parish, Forkland.
Trinity Parish, Union Springs.
St. Peter's Parish, Bon Secour.
St. Alban's Parish. Brown's Station.
St. Wilfrid's Parish, Marion.
St. Paul's Parish, Decatur.

The list of Parishes so entitled was called, and credentials of Lay Deputies were presented and referred to a Committee,

consisting of Rev. DeB. Waddell, Rev. G. C. Tucker and Rev. J. A. VanHoose.

This Committee reported the following Lay Deputies entitled to seats:

Grace Church, Anniston—J. W. Noble, A. L. Tyler, B. G. Chisholm, L. W. Hammond, Benjamin Micou.

Church of the Holy Innocents, Auburn—W. L. Broun, J. S. Newman, J. H. Lane.

Church of the Advent, Birmingham—R. H. Pearson, E. A. Glover, W. J. Milner, Robert Jemison, Thomas Cobbs.

St. Mary's Church, Birmingham—Robert Chisholm, James Weatherly, G. C. Ball, G. H. Ellerbe, Rufus N. Rhodes.

St. Paul's Church, Carlowville—R. J. Lide, J. H. Alison, E. W. Wade, J. D. Alison, J. D. Alison, Jr.

St. James' Church, Eufaula—H. R. Shorter, Dozier Thornton, P. H. Morris, C. R. R., T. W. Tony.

St. Mark's Church, Fork of Green—E. F. Bouchelle, H. T. Bouchelle, R. T. Byrd.

St. Paul's Church, Greensboro—A. Stollenwerck, J. M. Hobson, R. H. Stickney, A. S. Jeffries, C. E. Waller.

Church of the Nativity, Huntsville—Milton Humes, Irvine White, W. L. Clay, Peter M. Dox, J. P. Matthews.

St. James' Church, Livingston—W. R. DeLoach, N. F. Randall.

St. Andrew's Church, Gallion—H. A. Tayloe, R. H. Dugger, R. R. Pool, J. H. DuBose, C. A. Smith.

St. Michael's Church, Faunsdale—Norfleet Harris, Chas. D. Walker.

Christ Church, Mobile—W. H. Ross, Robert Middleton.

Trinity Church, Mobile—H. T. Toulmin, F. J. McCoy, O. F. Cawthorn, B. Vincent, L. A. George.

St. John's Church, Mobile—O. J. Semmes, Price Williams, Jr., W. J. McCowan, Emmanuel Jones, J. F. Cawthorn.

St. John's Church, Montgomery—Joel White, R. F. Michel, H. C. Tompkins. W. W. Screws, B. J. Baldwin.

Church of the Holy Comforter, Montgomery—J. L. Cobbs, W. W. Allen, N. H. Holmes.

Emmanuel Church, Opelika—Chas. McCoy, James Clayton, A. B. Bennett, M. L. Cowan.

St. Mark's Church, Prattville—Charles Edwards, Thos. C. Smith.

St. Paul's Church, Selma—R. M. Nelson, Fleming D. Tinsley, Chas. A. Garland, C. L. Marsh, Geo. A. Wilkins.

St. Peter's Church, Talladega—J. F. Slaughter, R. Nickles, O. Nickles, J. S. Laverty, J. R. Greaves.

Christ Church, Tuskaloosa—J. H. Fitts, Alonzo Hill, E. N. C. Snow, H. A. Jones, W. C. Fitts.

Trinity Church, Union Springs—D. F. McCall, John Haskey, R. L. Hobdy.

Church of the Holy Cross, Uniontown—John H. Langhorne, John B. Christian.

Their names being called, the following were found to be present:

Messrs. B. G. Chisholm, R. H. Pearson, E. A. Glover, Robt. Jemison, Thomas Cobbs, Robert Chisholm, James Weatherly, Geo. C. Ball, G. H. Ellerbe, R. J. Lide, J. H. Alison, J. D. Alison, Dozier Thornton, C. R. Ross, J. M. Hobson, A. S. Jeffries, C. E. Waller, J. P. Matthews, Norfleet Harris, W. W. Screws, W. W. Allen, Fleming D. Tinsley, Chas. A. Garland, C. L. Marsh, Geo. A. Wilkins, J. S. Laverty, J. H. Fitts, Alonzo Hill, E. N. C. Snow, D. F. McCall.

A quorum being present, the Council was declared to be duly organized, and Rev. R. H. COBBS, D. D., was nominated and elected Secretary.

On motion, the Rules of Order of the last Council were adopted for the government of this Council.

On motion, it was resolved:

That the sessions of this Council shall continue daily from 9:30 o'clock A. M. to 1:30 o'clock P. M.

On motion, the Council adjourned, to meet as a Committee of the Whole on the State of the Church, at 8 P. M.

At 8 P. M. the Committee of the Whole on the State of the Church assembled, the Rev. Dr. STRINGFELLOW presiding, and after a protracted consideration of the subject of Diocesan Missions, the Committee rose. The Council was called to order. The Chairman of the Committee reported its action, and on motion the Council adjourned till 9:30 o'clock Wednesday.

SECOND DAY.

BIRMINGHAM, ALA., May 22, 1889.

The Council met pursuant to adjournment, and after prayers, the roll was called and a quorum found to be present. The minutes of yesterday's proceedings were read and approved. The Rev. GEO. R. UPTON, Rev. L. H. SNELL, Rev. C. H. LOCKWOOD, Rev. W. C. WHITAKER, and Messrs. R. M. NELSON, H. A. TAYLOE, R. H. DUGGER, C. A. SMITH, G. ROOP, appeared and took their seats.

Certificates of election of Lay Deputies were presented from Grace Church, Sheffield; Trinity Church, Florence; St. Thomas' Church, Greenville; St. Mary's Church, Evergreen, and were declared to be in due form, and the following Deputies entitled to seats: R. C. RANDOLPH, W. H. JONES, W. R. BROWN, W. J. DIBBLE, H. T. JONES, of Grace Church, Sheffield; R. L. BLISS, A. ELLETT, Jr., of Trinity Church, Florence; D. G. DUNKLIN, F. STOLLENWERCK, of St. Thomas' Church, Greenville; C. B. SAVAGE, F. L. HICKOX, of St. Mary's Church, Evergreen. Their names being called, Messrs. R. L. BLISS and C. B. SAVAGE took their seats.

The following Standing Committees were announced by the President:

Committee on the State of the Church—Revs. J. M. Banister, D. D., F. B. Lee, J. F. Smith, Geo. M. Everhart, D. D., T. J. Beard, DeB. Waddell, J. H. Stringfellow, and Messrs. J. D. Alison, Alonzo Hill, C. E. Waller, R. L. Bliss, H. A. Tayloe, H. R. Shorter.

Committee on Canons—Revs. H. Stringfellow, D. D., E. W. Spalding, D. D., P. A. Fitts, R. W. Barnwell, and Messrs. H. T. Toulmin, Thos. Cobbs, H. C. Tompkins, J. M. Hobson.

Committee on Finance—Messrs. R. M. Nelson, J. H. Fitts, Joel White, J. P. Matthews, J. W. Noble, R. H. Pearson, G. H. Ellerbe, Norfleet Harris, Geo. A. Wilkins, A. S. Jeffries.

Committee on Parochial Reports—Revs. J. L. Tucker, D. D., Rev. G. C. Tucker, Messrs. Dozier Thornton, O. J. Semmes.

Committee on Unfinished Business—Rev. R. H. Cobbs, D. D., Mr. D. F. McCall.

On motion, the Rules of Order were suspended, and the Bishop of the Diocese read his Annual Address (see Appendix), the statistical portion of which was, on motion, referred to the Committee on the State of the Church.

The portion of the address which related to Hamner Hall was, on motion, referred to a Committee, consisting of Rev. R. W. BARNWELL, Messrs. H. C. TOMPKINS, J. H. FITTS.

The Standing Committee of the Diocese presented the following communication, which was read and received:

REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE.

1888—June 16.—The Committee met in Christ Church Chapter House, and organized by the election of the Rev. J. L. Tucker, President, and Mr. F. B. Clark, Jr., Secretary. The testimonials of the Rev. O. R. Bourne, Deacon, were approved, and he was recommended to the Bishop for ordination to the Priesthood.

July 11.—Canonical testimonials of the election of the Rev. George McClellan Fiske to be Bishop of the Diocese of Fond-du-Lac, and of the Rev. Dr. Leighton Coleman to be Bishop of the Diocese of Delaware, were laid before the Committee, and the consent of this Diocese was given to the consecration to the episcopate of the above named presbyters.

July 28.—Canonical testimonials of Messrs. John Conway Johnes, Walter C. Whittaker and Lawson Harvey Snell were laid before the Committee, and Messrs. Johnes and Whittaker were recommended to the Bishop for ordination to the Diaconate in the Church.

August 8.—Mr. L. H. Snell was recommended to the Bishop for ordination as a Deacon in the Church of God. The bill of the Diocesan printer for publishing and mailing the Journal of the last Council was approved, and ordered to be paid.

November 22.—The Canonical testimonials of Mr. Thomas Burry were approved, and he was recommended to the Bishop for ordination as a Deacon in the Church of God.

December 26.—Canonical testimonials were laid before the Committee, testifying to the election of the Rev. Charles Chapman Grafton, D. D., to be Bishop of Fond-du-Lac; and of the Rev. Boyd Vincent, to be Assistant Bishop of Southern Ohio; and of the Rev. Cyrus F. Knight, D. D., D. C. L., to be Bishop of Milwaukee; and of the Rev. J. Mills Kendrick, D. D., to be Missionary Bishop of New Mexico and Arizona. The Standing Committee gave the consent of the Diocese of Alabama to the consecration of the above named presbyters to be Bishops in the Church of God.

1889—March 5.—The testimonials of Mr. Percy W. Jones were approved by the Committee, and he was recommended to the Bishop for admission as a candidate for Holy Orders. The Committee authorized the purchase of an official seal; and of a half interest in a fire-proof safe in which to keep their records and papers; and procured a series of blanks for testimonials, recommendations, consents, etc., according to the provisions of the Canons of the General Convention governing them.

April 3.—The testimonials of Mr. Joseph F. John were laid before the Committee, and he was recommended to the Bishop for admission as a candidate for Holy Orders.

The Committee authorized their President to have printed a series of blanks for the use of candidates, giving them the proper form of application to the Bishop and the Committee for admission, ordination, dispensation, etc.

The Committee also discussed the Canons of the Diocese as submitted

o them by the last Council, and reached a conclusion as to two new canons to be prepared for discussion at their next meeting, and to be ubmitted to the Council. J. L. TUCKER, President.

Certificates of election of Lay Deputies were presented rom St. Paul's Parish, Decatur; St. Luke's, Jacksonville; Trinity Parish, Demopolis, and the Montevallo Mission, and vere declared in due form, and the following Deputies entiled to seats:

St. Paul's, Decatur—W. H. Jarvis, S. H. Gruber, W. A. Bibb.
St. Luke's, Jacksonville—Peyton Rowan, W. H. Dean.
Trinity Church, Demopolis—J. R. Robertson, N. G. Winn, C. B. Whitfield.
The Montevallo Mission—F. Nabors.

Their names being called, Messrs. W. A. BIBB, PEYTON ROWAN, N. G. WINN and F. NABORS took their seats.

The Special Committee on Form of Parochial Report presented a report, which was adopted.

On motion, the Rules of Order were suspended, and the Parochial Reports, without being read, were placed on the Secretary's table and referred to the appropriate Committee.

The Council then voted by ballot for the Standing Committee of the Diocese, the Rev. DEB. WADDELL and Mr. GEO. A. WILKINS being appointed tellers, and the balloting resulted in the election of Revs. J. L. TUCKER, D. D., H. STRINGFELLOW, D. D., G. C. TUCKER; Messrs. H. T. TOULMIN, F. B. CLARK, Jr., R. S. BUNKER.

On motion, the election of Delegates to the General Convention was made the order of the day for Thursday at 11 o'clock.

The reports of the Treasurer of the Diocese, the Treasurer of the Diocesan Missionary Fund, and the Treasurer of the Bishop's Fund, were presented and received, and, on motion, were referred to the Committee on Finance.

The report of the Treasurer of the University of the South for Alabama was received and read, and ordered to be printed in the Appendix.

A petition from Trinity Church, Florence, in regard to the

sale of Church property, was presented, and on motion, was referred to the Committee on Canons.

Two resolutions in regard to Church property were, on motion, referred to same Committee.

A communication from the Secretary of the House of Deputies of the General Convention was, on motion, referred to the same Committee.

By unanimous consent, a resolution relating the Canon on Convocations was presented, and referred to the same Committee.

Mr. GEO. A. WILKINS was nominated and elected Treasurer of the Diocese.

Mr. C. E. WALLER was nominated and elected Treasurer of the Diocesan Missionary Fund.

Mr. F. B. CLARK, Jr., was nominated and elected Chancellor of the Diocese.

The Council, voting by ballot, elected Messrs. N. H. R. DAWSON, J. H. FITTS and H. C. TOMPKINS Trustees of the Bishops' Fund, Mr. DAWSON being designated as Treasnrer.

On motion, the Council adjourned till 9:30 o'clock on Thursday.

THIRD DAY.

BIRMINGHAM, May 23, 1889.

The Council met pursuant to adjournment. After prayers were said, the roll was called and a quorum found to be present, and the minutes of yesterday's proceedings were read and approved.

The Rev. W. A. STICKNEY, the Rev. J. C. JOHNES, and Messrs. J. M. LANGHORNE, F. J. MCCOY, O. F. CAWTHORN, H. R. SHORTER and T. W. TONY appeared and took their seats.

The following reports were presented and read:

The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred the petition of the

Rector, Wardens and Vestry of Trinity Church, Florence, asking the consent of the Council to the proposed sale of certain Church property, beg leave to recommend the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Standing Committee be and they are hereby authorized and empowered to give the consent of this Council to the Bishop to sell and dispose of all or such part of the Church property in Florence, Ala., as, in his judgment, shall be desirable, upon such terms and conditions as he shall see fit to prescribe.

H. STRINGFELLOW, Chairman.

On motion, this report was received and concurred in, and the resolution adopted.

The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred the proposal to repeal Canon V, Title 2, entitled "Convocations," beg leave to offer the following resolution:

Resolved, That a Committee of three be appointed who shall take into consideration the whole subject of Convocations, and report to the next Council. H. STRINGFELLOW, Chairman.

On motion, the report was received and concurred in, and the resolution adopted.

The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred the application asking for the consent of the Council to the sale of certain Church property in Clayton, recommend that consent be granted.

H. STRINGFELLOW, Chairman.

On motion, the report was received and concurred in, and the recommendation adopted unanimously.

The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred the application asking for the consent of the Council to the sale of certain Church property in the city of Eufaula, recommend that permission be granted.

H. STRINGFELLOW, Chairman.

On motion, the report was received and concurred in, and the recommendation adopted unanimously.

The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred the report of the Standing Committee, proposing certain changes in the Constitution and certain Canons, beg leave to recommend that said report be printed in the Journal and referred to the next Council.

H. STRINGFELLOW, Chairman.

On motion, this report was received and concurred in, and the recommendation adopted.

The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred the communication from the Secretary of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies of the General Convention, beg leave to recommend that the consent of this Diocese be given to the proposed changes in the prayer book.

On motion, this report was received and concurred in, and the recommendation unanimously adopted.

The order of the day having arrived, the Council proceeded to the election of delegates to the General Convention, voting by orders and Parishes.

Rev. G. C. TUCKER and Rev. W. C. WHITAKER were appointed tellers to collect and count the votes for Clerical Deputies, and Messrs. GEO. A. WILKINS and G. H. ELLERBE, tellers to collect and count the votes for Lay Delegates.

The ballotting resulted in the election of Rev. H. STRINGFELLOW, D. D, Rev. R. H. COBBS, D. D., Rev. J. L. TUCKER, D. D, Rev. J. M. BANISTER, D. D., and Messrs. H. T. TOULMIN, R. M. NELSON, H. C. TOMPKINS, J. W. NOBLE.

Alternate Clerical Deputies, Rev. T. J. BEARD, Rev. R. W. BARNWELL, Rev. P. A. FITTS, Rev. E. W. SPALDING, D. D.

Alternate Lay Deputies, Messrs. R. H. PEARSON, J. H. FITTS, C. E. WALLER, GEO. A. WILKINS.

The following report was presented and read:

Report Finance Committee.

The Committee on Finance beg to report that they have examined and audited the account of Mr. George A. Wilkins, as Treasurer of the Diocese, and find, including the balance on hand at the last Council. he has received the sum of.....$5,112 58
And that he has properly expended the sum of..... 4,750 68

Leaving a cash balance on hand of.....$ 361 90

The neatness, promptness and fidelity with which Mr. Wilkins has discharged the duties of his office, entitle him to the thanks of this Council.

The Committee further reports that they have examined and audited

the account of Mr. Charles E. Waller, as Treasurer of the Diocesan Missionary Fund, and find that, including the balance on hand at the last Council, he has received the sum of.....$4,370 70
And that he has properly expended the sum of..... 3,766 18

Leaving a cash balance on hand of.....$ 603 52

The Committee feel that the active and untiring work done by Mr. Waller has brought about the present prosperous condition of the Church in this Diocese, and trust that he may long be spared for a work for which he is so peculiarly fitted.

The Committee further reports that they have examined and audited the accounts of Mr. N. H. R. Dawson, as Treasurer of the Bishop's Fund. There was no balance on hand at the last Council, and the Treasurer has received from interest and rents the sum of.....$1,220 00
And that he has properly expended the sum of..... 500 00

Leaving a cash balance on hand of.....$ 720 00

The Committee submit the following as the

REQUIREMENTS FOR 1889-'90.

The Bishop's salary	$4,000 00
The Secretary of the Council	150 00
The Treasurer of the Council	50 00
Expenses of the Council of 1888 and 1889	15 00
Printing the Journal of the Council of 1888 and '89	200 00
One-half of premium on life insurance of the Bishop	122 50
Total	$4,537 50

And the following as the

ESTIMATED RESOURCES FOR 1889-'90.

Cash in the hands of the Treasurer of the Diocese	$ 361 90
Cash in the hands of the Treasurer of Bishop's Fund	720 00
Assessments for 1889 and 1890 (see Exhibit A)	3,880 00
Total	$4,961 90

All of which is respectfully submitted,

R. M. NELSON, Chairman.
NORFLEET HARRIS,
A. S. JEFFRIES,
JOEL WHITE,
JOHN W. NOBLE,
G. H. ELLERBE,
J. H. FITTS,
WM. H. ROSS.
J. P. MATHEWS,
R. H. PEARSON,
O. F. CAWTHON,
GEO. A. WILKINS,
Finance Committee.

EXHIBIT A.—ASSESSMENTS FOR 1889 AND 1890.

Montgomery—St. John's parish	$ 450
Mobile—Christ Church parish	450
Selma—St. Paul's parish	350
Huntsville—The Church of the Nativity	300
Birmingham—The Church of the Advent	300
Mobile—Trinity Church parish	250
Birmingham—St. Mary's parish	200
Tuskaloosa—Christ Church parish	150
Anniston—Grace Church parish	150
Mobile—St. John's parish	150
Greensboro—St. Paul's parish	150
Demopolis—Trinity Church parish	100
Montgomery—The Church of the Holy Comforter	75
Eufaula—St. James' parish	50
Decatur—St. Paul's parish	50
Florence—Trinity Church parish	35
Sheffield—Grace Church parish	35
Uniontown—The Church of the Holy Cross	30
Faunsdale—St. Michael's parish	30
Marion—St. Wilfred's parish	30
Greenville—St. Thomas' parish	30
Gallion—St. Andrew's parish	30
Eutaw—St. Stephen's parish	25
Mobile—The Church of the Good Shepherd	25
Talladega—St. Peter's parish	25
Boligee—St. Mark's parish	20
Jacksonville—St. Luke's parish	25
Livingston—St. James' parish	25
Carlowville—St. Paul's parish	25
Bessemer—The Bessemer Mission	25
Auburn—The Church of the Holy Innocents	15
Hayneville—St. Andrew's parish	15
Tuscumbia—St. John's parish	15
Scottsboro—St. Luke's parish	15
Troy—St. Mark's parish	15
Evergreen—St. Mary's parish	15
Lowndesboro—St. Paul's parish	15
Athens—St. Timothy's parish	15
Gadsden—The Gadsden Mission	15
Brierfield—The Brierfield Mission	10
Martin's Station—St. Luke's parish	10
Clayton—Grace Church parish	10
Piedmont—Christ Church parish	10
Tilden—Grace Church parish	10
Montevallo—The Montevallo Mission	10
Forkland—St. John's parish	10
Prattville—St. Mark's parish	10
Union Springs—Trinity Church parish	10
Trinity—Grace Church parish	10
Opelika—Emanuel Church parish	10
Bon Secour—St Peter's parish	10
Avondale—The Avondale Mission	10
Ironaton—The Ironaton Mission	10
Gainsville—St. Alban's parish	5
Whistler—St. Paul's parish	5
Clanton—The Clanton Mission	5
Total	$3,880

PARISHES IN ARREARS.

St. Paul's Church parish, balance of 1888 '89	$ 50
t. Stephen's Church parish, 1888-'89	50
ha—Calvary Church parish, 1887-'88, 1888-'89	20
ille—St. Matthew's Church parish, 1887-'88, 1888-'89	20
—St. Alban's Church parish, 1887-'88, 1888-'89	20
-The Gadsden Mission, 1887-'88, 1888-'89	20
Station—St. Luke's Church parish, 1887-'88, 1888-'89	50
e—St. Andrew's Church parish, 1886-'87	15
—St. Mary's Church parish, 1886-'87	15
—St. Mark's Church parish, 1886-'87	10
St. Mary's Church parish, 1887-'88, 1888-'89	15
ll—St. Paul's Church parish, 1887-'88, 1888-'89	10
Grace Church parish, 1888-'89	10
Mark's Church parish, 1886-'87	5
hount of assessments uncollected to date	$310

GEO. A. WILKINS, *Treasurer*

Ala., May 21st, 1889. *The Diocese of Alabama.*

nmittee recommends that all arrears be remitted.

PARISHES IN ARREARS—ASSESSMENT, 1889.

St. Paul's Church parish	$ 50
t. Stephen's Church parish	50
Station—St. Luke's Church parish	25
Grace Church parish	10
-The Gadsden Mission	10
—St. Alban's Church parish	10
St. Mary's Church parish	5
ille—St. Matthew's Church parish	5
ha—Calvary Church parish	5
ll—St. Paul's Church parish	5
unt of uncollected assessment 1888-'89	$175
unt of uncollected assessment, 1886, '87, '88	135
nount of uncollected assessment on Treasurer's books	$310

ɔtion it was

, That the next Annual Session of this Council be held in St. urch, Montgomery, beginning Tuesday, the 20th of May, 1890.

ɔtion, the Secretary was instructed to have printed es of the Journal of this Council.

tificate of the appointment of a Lay Delegate from ion Station at Seale, Ala., was presented and declared rm, and Mr. JAMES F. WADDELL took his seat as a from that Mission Station.

ɔtion, it was

. That the Trustees of the Bishop's Fund be, and they are here- ized and instructed to fund the city of Selma bonds held by them 4 per cent. bonds now being issued by that city.

An invitation to join an excursion over the Red Mountain was extended to the members of this Council, and the Secretary was instructed to return the thanks of this Body for the same.

On motion, the Council adjourned until 9½ o'clock Friday.

FOURTH DAY.

BIRMINGHAM, May 24, 1889.

The Council met pursuant to adjournment. After prayers were said, the roll was called, a quorum found to be present and the minutes of yesterday's proceedings were read and approved.

REV. THOS. A. COOK, REV. VARDRY MCBEE, and MR. ROBT. MIDDLETON appeared and took their seats.

The following resolution was presented and read:

Resolved, That the Delegates from this Diocese be and are hereby requested to vote and work for the proposed change of name, preferably to that of the Primitive Catholic Church

After discussion, the consideration of the whole matter was laid upon the table, by a vote of 26 to 16.

The following report was presented and read, and on motion, was received and concurred in:

The Committee on the State of the Church, take great pleasure in reporting, as the result of their investigations, a remarkable advancement of the Diocese in many respects during the ecclesiastical year just ended. They think it may be safely said that the Diocese has never been in a financial condition so sound and encouraging. This is plainly evident, not only in the fact that it is entirely free from all indebtedness, but is especially apparent in the considerable amounts still remaining in the hands of the Diocesan Treasurer, of the Treasurer of the Diocesan Missionary Society, and in those held by the Treasurers of the Episcopal Fund, and of the Society for the Relief of

This they deem to be especially gratifying, not only as indicating its present prosperous pecuniary condition, but also as furnishing a solid basis for the reasonable expectation of an ever increasing ability to open new fields in which to employ the active industry of a larger corps of spiritual laborers. Such an improved pecuniary condition of the Diocese tells again of increasing liberality on the part of the laymen of the Church, and of the efficiency of the methods employed to excite it, and to collect their donations.

Your Committee could not fail to recognize, in all this, the great importance of persistent training on this line, and of the certainty of a

large income necessarily arising from small amounts regularly contributed by old and young, in every parish.

Should this method be adopted by every clergyman in the Diocese, your Committee feel assured that the result would be surprisingly greater than any that has been ever realized in the past. But the Committee, while fully appreciating this material progress thus described, as of great value in itself, are yet constrained to admit that it is to be considered valuable chiefly as the effect of spiritual causes and agents. They are happy to believe that it indicates the impulsive power of a stronger faith, of a hope more confident of success, and of a zeal warmer and more untiring in the service of Him who is the impersonation of the Father's love of our fallen race. The laborers are more in number than at any time since the war. Six clergymen have been ordained since the last Council; seventeen lay readers have been appointed: five hundred and eleven have been confirmed; and four hundred and twenty-four have been baptized.

Now, with these larger spiritual forces, increased obligation rests on each of us to go hence refreshed and stimulated by such divine recognition, confidently relying on Him without whose blessing even an Apollos, and a Paul, must labor in vain, J. M. BANISTER, Chairman.

The following report was presented and read:

Your Committee, appointed to take into consideration the several matters relative to the Hamner Hall property, at Montgomery, have had the same under consideration, and submit the following:

From present appearances, we think it would be unwise to force the property upon the market during this year, and therefore think that the buildings and so much of the grounds surrounding them as may be necessary, to reasonably adapt them to the use for which they are most likely to be rented out—that of a school—be rented out. We recommend, however, that no lease for any term exceeding a year, be made, as we think it desirable for the property to be kept so that, in case an opportunity is offered to sell, it shall not be encumbered by a long lease. It is evident that an inability to give possession, except after the expiration of a long lease, might seriously interfere with a sale.

An application has been made to the authorities of the city of Montgomery to open a street along the south-western boundary of the property, and those authorities desire to negotiate for a strip thirty feet in width along that boundary, a distance of something over one thousand feet. Under the law, when the city desires property for the purpose of opening a street, the proper authorities are required to make an effort to agree with the owners on the value of the property proposed to be taken; and if they cannot agree, then the law provides a method whereby the city can condemn the lands desired. This being the case, we think it advisable that authority should be given to some one, on the part of the church, to negotiate with the city authorities. In our opinion, the opening of the street will benefit the property.

To carry out the above recommendations, we submit herewith two resolutions, and recommend the adoption of the same.

R. W. BARNWELL,
H. C. TOMPKINS.

Resolved, That the Trustees of the Bishop's Fund are authorized to negotiate with the authorities of the city of Montgomery for a sale to the city, of so much of the Hamner Hall property as may be desired for the purpose of opening streets along or through such property ; and, if they agree upon the terms of such sale, upon the same being approved by the Bishop of the Diocese, consent is hereby given to the execution of all proper deeds or instruments necessary or proper to be executed for the purpose of conveying the lands agreed upon to said city for the use and purpose of a street.

Resolved, That the Trustees of the Bishop's Fund are hereby authorized and empowered by and with the consent of the Bishop of the Diocese, upon the expiration of the present lease upon the Hamner Hall property, to rent out the same upon such terms and conditions as they may deem advisable. And said Trustees are further authorized and empowered, by and with the consent of the Bishop, to sell said property, or any portion thereof, if in their judgment it is advisable to do so, upon such terms as shall in their judgment be to the interest of the trust, except the lot known as the Orphans Home and the land surrounding it, to be selected by the Trustees and the Bishop.

On motion this report was received and concurred in, and the resolutions adopted by a unanimous vote.

The following resolutions were presented, read, and on motion, were adopted:

Resolved, That the Board of Missions are authorized and requested to publish and distribute monthly among the families of the several Parishes and Missions of the Diocese, a monthly paper, to contain the calendar for the month of publication, communications from the Bishop, a list of his appointments for the month, and of his visitations for the previous month, and such other matters as the Bishop and Board may deem advisable to publish. Provided that the expense shall not exceed thirty dollars a month, one-half of which shall be paid by the Board of Missions and one-half by the Council of the Diocese.

Resolved, That while the paper is sent free to every family, the Council requests every family which is able to do so, to contribute the sum of fifty cents a year towards that object.

Resolved, That every clergyman in charge of a Mission Station, and the Rector or Senior Warden of every Parish, be requested to send to the Secretary of the Board of Missions, a list of all the families in such Parish or Mission, or of individuals not included in families.

The following was presented and read:

Resolved, That the thanks of the Diocesan Council are due and are

hereby tendered to the Parish of St. Mary's on the Highlands, and to other citizens of Birmingham, for the cordial courtesy and refined hospitality with which it has been entertained.

On motion, this resolution was adopted by a rising vote.

On motion, it was

Resolved, The Secretary be instructed to return the thanks of this Council to the railroad companies who have extended courtesies to its members.

The Committee on Periodical Reports presented and read their report, which, on motion, was received and concurred in. (See Appendix.)

On motion, the Council adjourned till 9½ o'clock Saturday.

BIRMINGHAM, May 25th, 1889.

The Council met pursuant to adjournment, and minutes of yesterday's prooeedings were read and approved. The Council then adjourned *sine die.*

RICH'D H. WILMER,
Bishop and President.

R. H. COBBS, Sec'y.

[APPENDIX A.]

ANNUAL ADDRESS OF THE BISHOP

TO THE

Council of the Diocese of Alabama.

DEARLY BELOVED BRETHREN: I proceed to give account of my official labors during the year just closed:

May 23, 1888—I met the Council of the Diocese of Alabama in the "Church of the Nativity," Huntsville, and, after Divine service, with a sermon by the Rev. Geo. R. Upton, celebrated the Lord's Supper. The remainder of the week was spent in Council

1888—May 27th—(Trinity Sunday)—I ordained Priest, Rev. Percy Gordon, at Church of "The Nativity," Huntsville. The candidate was presented by the Rev. J. M. Banister, D. D., who, together with the Revs. Messrs. J. L. Tucker, D. D., DeB. Waddell and W. A. Sticknev, united in the laying on of hands. Celebration of the Lord's Supper and sermon by myself.

At evening service, same day, after a sermon by the Rev. J. L. Tucker, D. D., I made an address to the clergy and congregation, and brought to a close the session of the Council.

June 3d—(First Sunday after Trinity)—Preached at St. Paul's, Spring Hill, and celebrated Holy Communion.

June 4th—Received certificate of Examiners that the Rev. Obre R. Bourne had passed a satisfactory examination for Priest's Orders.

June 8th—Preached at St. Mary's, Evergreen, and confirmed four persons.

June 9th—Preached at same church and celebrated the Lord's Supper.

June 10th—(Second Sunday after Trinity)—Preached, morning and evening, at St. Thomas', Greenville, confirming twenty-three persons and celebrating Holy Communion.

June 14th—Preached at Church of the Holy Cross, Uniontown, confirming seven persons and celebrating Holy Communion.

June 16th—Preached at St. Andrew's, confirmed one person and celebrated Holy Communion.

June 17th—(Third Sunday after Trinity)—Preached at St. Michael's, Marengo county, confirmed one person and celebrated Holy Communion.

June 22d—At Trinity, Mobile, I ordained to the Priesthood Rev. Obre R. Bourne. Candidate presented by the Rev. J. L. Lancaster, who, together with the Rev. Messrs. J. L. Tucker, D. D , G. C. Tucker, and A. W. Pierce, united in the imposition of hands. I also celebrated Holy Communion. Sermon by myself.

July 1st—(Fifth Sunday after Trinity)—Preached at St. Paul's, Spring Hill.

July 8th—(Sixth Sunday after Trinity) —Preached at St. Paul's, Spring Hill.

July 29th—(Ninth Sunday after Trinity)—Preached at St Paul's, Spring Hill, and celebrated the Lord's Supper.

July 30th—Received testimonials from Standing Committee of the Diocese, recommending J. Conway Johnes and Walter C. Whitaker, for Deacon's Orders.

August 5th—(Tenth Sunday after Trinity)—Preached at Trinity. Mobile.

August 8th—Received testimonials from the Standing Committee recommending L. H. Snell for Deacon's Orders.

August 11th—Held Examination of the three candidates for Deacon's Orders, and received certificate of Examiners that the examination was satisfactory.

August 12th—(Eleventh Sunday after Trinity)—At Trinity, Mobile, I ordained to the Diocese, Messrs. Conway Johnes, Lawson B. Snell and Walter C. Whitaker; sermon by the Rev. J. L. Lancaster.

August 19th—(Twelfth Sunday after Trinity.) Preached at Christ Church, Charlotteville, Va. I sojourned a few weeks in Virginia, and returned to the Diocese first of October. While absent, I preached as opportunity offered, and at request of the Rector, baptized an infant at Ascension Church, Washington City. I deem it unnecessary to give any detailed account of services rendered outside of the Diocese.

October 14th—(Twentieth Sunday after Trinity)—I preached at Trinity. Mobile.

October 21st—(Twenty-first Sunday after Trinity)—I preached at St. John's, Mobile.

October 28th—(Twenty-second Sunday after Trinity)—I preached at St. Peter's, Bon Secour, and confirmed thirteen persons.

November 4th—(Twenty-third Sunday after Trinity)—I preached at St. Wilfrid's, Marion, morning and evening, confirming ten persons and celebrating Holy Communion.

At this visitation I had the pleasure of welcoming in person the Rev. Ro. J. Walker to the Diocese. I marked with pleasure many indications of renewed interest on the part of the congregation. A choir of boys, clad in appropriate vestments, rendered very impressive and churchly music.

The congregation of St Wilfrid's has, in common with many others, suffered greatly from removals, but the small remnant holds tenaciously to its deeply rooted traditions.

November 5th—I preached at Church of the Holy Cross, Uniontown, and confirmed ten persons.

November 6th—Preached again at same Church, and confirmed one person, having, before service, confirmed a sick person in private. I also celebrated Holy Communion.

At this visitation I had the pleasure of welcoming a new laborer into the Diocese, the Rev. Benj. Dennis.

The congregations of St. Michael's and Holy Cross have united in calling Mr. Dennis to be their rector. The old Church of St. Michael's has been moved to Faunsdale, a growing village on the railroad, and a general interest has been awakened throughout the community.

The removal of St. Michael's touched, most naturally, some tender heart ties, but in this practical world, sentiment must sometimes yield to utility, and I cannot but think that, in view of all the considerations involved, the removal, however painful to some, will in the end be conducive to the growth and best interests of the Church.

The Rev W. A. Stickney, with his characteristic spirit of self-abnegation, has given to this section of the Diocese a vast deal of unremunerated labor, and will continue, as health permits and opportunity offers, to give help to the cause ever dearest to his heart.

November 8th—I preached at Demopolis, and confirmed eleven persons.

November 9th—I preached at the same church. The musical

part of the services at this visitation was rendered still more impressive and churchly by the addition of a choir of boys. I note with approval and much satisfaction, the growing disposition towards the formation of boy choirs. It is, where properly directed, a long step forward in the direction of congregational singing. Our worship of the Creator is but a lame and imperfect performance until all our people are brought to unite, not only in the common prayers, but in the common praises of the church. The glad triumphal day has come indeed when every thing that hath breath shall give praise unto the Lord.

November 18th — (Twenty-fifth Sunday after Trinity) — I preached at Grace Church, Anniston, and confirmed nine persons.

At evening service, same day, after a sermon by the Rev. P. A. Fitts, confirmed eight persons at St. Paul's, a chapel at Glen Addie, under the pastoral care of Rev. Chas. H. Lockwood.

Here again I had the satisfaction of greeting, in person, a newcomer to our ranks—Rev. Chas. H. Lockwood. Indeed, throughout this whole fall visitation, my heart was cheered by the presence of brethren who had come to share our labors, and, I trust, our future rewards.

November 20th—I preached at St. Luke's, Jacksonville, and confirmed three persons.

November 21st—I preached at Christ Church, Piedmont.

November 24th—I preached at Gadsden, and confirmed six persons.

Our services at this place were held in an upper room, the church building not yet having been completed When finished, it will be a commodious and attractive building, creditable alike to the skill of the architect and the zeal of the congregation.

November 25th—(Sunday next before Advent)—I preached at St. Paul's, Glen Addie, Anniston, and ordained Deacon Thomas Burry; candidate presented by the Rev. P. A. Fitts. I also celebrated Holy Communion.

Evening of same day, I preached at Grace Church, Anniston, and confirmed eight persons—seventeen confirmed at Grace Church during this visitation

November 26th—Preached at St. Peter's, Talladega, and confirmed ten persons.

November 28th—Preached at Briarfield, Shelby county, and

confirmed one person.

November 29th—(Thanksgiving Day)—Preached at Montevallo, and confirmed two persons.

December 9th—(Second Sunday in Advent)—Held Divine service at Church of the Good Shepherd, Mobile, and confirmed twelve persons, one of whom was a sick person, in private.

The services at this visitation were, for the larger part, choral; the attendance quite large, and the deportment of the whole congregation was unusually decorus and reverential.

The day school attached to this church is this year unusually large. An Industrial Department has been added since last report. A Deaconess from the Church Home presides, under the Priest in charge, over the Educational and Industrial Departments, and the whole outlook is encouraging.

The number (eight) of men confirmed at this visitation deserves particular notice. They had been carefully trained for months before their confirmation, and we look for large results in the future from this class of the confirmed.

December 23d—(Fourth Sunday in Advent)—Preached at St. John's, Mobile, and confirmed sixteen persons.

St. John's is a free church, and has a large membership. The Sunday-school is exceptionally large; the Church is free from all indebtedness; and the whole outlook is most encouraging.

December 25th—(Feast of the Nativity)—Preached at St. Paul's, Spring Hill, and celebrated Holy Communion.

1889—For some weeks in January and part of February I was confined to my room by a painful indisposition

February 13th—I preached at Union Springs.

February 14th—Preached at same place, confirmed two persons and celebrated Holy Communion.

February 15th—Preached at St. Mark's, Troy, confirmed four persons and celebrated Holy Communion.

February 17th—(Septnagesima)—Preached at St. James', Eufaula, morning and evening, confirmed nine persons and celebrated Holy Communion.

Since my last visitation to this Parish a commodious Rectory has been erected. The church building, as I have before reported, has been removed to its present eligible position, and the grounds put in admirable condition. Rev. Dr. Spalding, aided by the

members of his flock, has accomplished more than I could have anticipated.

February 19th—Preached at Grace Church, Clayton, morning and evening, and confirmed five persons.

The congregation at Clayton has been sadly reduced in numbers by removals, but the remaining few hold fast to the church. The church building here also has been beautified by the labor of Dr Spaulding, who renders all possible ministerial services to the little flock gathered therein.

February 24th—(Sexagesima)—Preached at St. Paul's, Selma, and confirmed twenty-one persons.

At Selma I found a "Mission" in progress, under the auspices of the "St. Andrews' Brotherhood" of the Parish, and conducted by the Rev. R. S. Barrett, of the Diocese of Georgia. The Mission was conducted on churchly lines, and created the liveliest interest throughout the entire community.

February 26th—Preached at St. Paul's, Carlowville.

I found this Parish—one of the oldest of the Diocese—still greatly moved by an interesting event which had been duly commemorated a few days before my visitation. The venerable and well beloved Rector of the Parish, Rev. F. B. Lee, had just completed the 50th year of his ministrations among them. The Clergy from adjacent Parishes had come together to congratulate him and his people, and all hearts were gladdened and solemnized by this rare and most interesting event—an unbroken ministry among one people for half a century. I regretted very much that I could not be present in person. God bless pastor and people!

February 27th—Visited Grace Church, Dallas county, preached and confirmed two persons.

February 28th—Returning to Selma, I arrived at the church whilst the "Mission" was still in progress. It was truly refreshing to see a well filled house during the busiest part of the day. After a sermon by the Rev. Mr. Barrett, I confirmed eight persons. Again, at evening service on the same day, I confirmed three persons.

I cannot but approve of well conducted "Missions." The continuous presentation of truth, connected with devout prayer for the influence of the Holy Ghost, must have great power. I fear that we lose much by failing to avail ourselves of the help which

might come from the occasional and judicious use of these extraordinary agencies.

March 3d—(Quinquagesima)—Attended service at Church of the Good Shepherd.

March 6th—(Ash Wednesday)—Preached at Trinity Church, Mobile, and celebrated Holy Communion.

March 10th—(1st Sunday in Lent)—Preached at Christ church, Mobile.

March 14th—Confirmed a sick person in private, presented by Rev. Dr. Tucker.

March 17th—(2d Sunday in Lent)—Preached at St. John's, Montgomery, morning and afternoon, and preached at same church morning and evening, the three days following.

March 22d—Preached at St. Wilfrid's, Marion, and confirmed nine. I have confirmed nineteen persons in this church during the incumbency of the present Rector.

March 24th—(3d Sunday in Lent)—Preached at St. Paul's, Greensboro, morning and evening, confirmed thirteen persons and celebrated Holy Communion.

March 31st—(4th Sunday in Lent)—Preached at St. John's, Mobile, and confirmed thirty persons.

It is a refreshing sight to see the large collection of Sunday-school children—more than 300—gathered under their banners, and singing the praises of their Lord.

April 7th—(Fifth Sunday in Lent)—Preached in the Town Hall at Decatur, and confirmed three persons, celebrating, also, Holy Communion.

I found the people of the Parish much depressed; they had lost their Rector; their Church building had been destroyed by fire; uncertainty prevailed on account of the possible recurrence of the fever; and, most naturally, they had but little hopefulness to begin afresh.

I spent some hours with the Vestry; promised them (having been so empowered by the Board of Missions) $400 towards the support of a Rector for the ensuing year; induced them to call a Rector, to put up a temporary building for worship, etc.

The promise of help from without stimulated to immediate action. I trust that every Parish in the Diocese will send them some help speedily.

Let me impress upon Clergy, Vestries and people to lose no time in insuring Church property—Rectories and Churches.

April 8th—Preached at Grace Church, Trinity, and confirmed one person.

April 9th—Preached at same Church, and celebrated Holy Communion.

April 9th—Evening of same day—Preached at St. John's, Tuscumbia, and confirmed one person.

April 10th—Preached at same Church, confirmed one person, and celebrated Holy Communion

April 10th—Evening of same day—Preached at Trinity Church, Florence, and confirmed five persons.

April 11th—Preached at same Church, and celebrated Holy Communion.

April 11th—Evening of same day—Preached at Grace Church, Sheffield, and confirmed eight persons.

April 12th—Preached at same Church, and celebrated Holy Communion.

April 14th—(Sunday before Easter)—Preached at Church of the Nativity, Huntsville, morning and evening, and confirmed nineteen persons.

April 15th—(Monday before Easter)—Preached at same Church, and celebrated Holy Communion.

April 15th—Evening of same day—Preached at St. Luke's, Scottsboro, and confirmed three persons.

April 16th—(Tuesday before Easter)—Preached at same Church, and celebrated Holy Communion.

April 16th—Evening of same day—Preached at St. Timothy's, Athens.

April 17th—(Wednesday before Easter)—Preached at same Church, and celebrated Holy Communion.

Thus closed my visitation of North Alabama—to myself a most refreshing visitation. I never performed so much labor with less weariness. How gracious the privilege to be enabled to do so much work near sundown!

April 21st—Easter Sunday—Preached at Trinity Church, Mobile, and confirmed fifteen, celebrating also Holy Communion.

April 22d—Officiated at a funeral from St. Paul's, Spring Hill.

April 28th—(First Sunday after Easter)—Preached at Christ

Church, Mobile, and confirmed thirty persons, four of whom were from St. John's, Mobile. Twenty-seven have been confirmed from Christ Church since my last report

The Church has been enlarged by the addition of a recess Chancel; the ceiling has been renewed, and the whole appearance is most beautiful.

April 29th—Lectured at St. John's, Mobile, and confirmed six. Number confirmed from this Church during the year, fifty-six.

May 2d—Preached at St. Paul's, Selma, and confirmed three. Number of confirmed during the year, thirty-five.

May 3d—Preached at St. Michael's, Faunsdale, and confirmed ten.

On the evening of same day preached at Holy Cross, Uniontown, and confirmed one person. Number confirmed since last report, twenty.

May 5th—(Second Sunday after Easter)—Preached at the "Holy Comforter," Montgomery, confirmed twenty-three, and celebrated the Holy Communion. This was my first visitation to this Church since its consecration. It was very gratifying to me to observe from the confirmation list that quite one-half of the newly confirmed were of wholly new material.

Evening of the same day, preached at St. John's, Montgomery, and confirmed twenty persons. Many families from St. John's have very naturally attached themselves to the "Holy Comforter," but the Mother Church still maintains its position as one of the largest and strongest in the Diocese.

May 6th—Preached at Emanuel, Opelika, and confirmed seven persons. Next day, at morning service, preached at same Church, and celebrated Holy Communion.

The Church at this place gives many signs of life and growth. The building has been improved beyond all that I supposed possible, and, when all the improvements contemplated shall have been perfected, "Emanuel" will become a churchly structure.

May 7—Evening of same day—Preached at "The Holy Innocents," Auburn, and confirmed a class of twelve persons, eleven of whom were Cadets of the Institute at this place.

May 8th—At early celebration, made an address to the congregation, and confirmed two Cadets. It was a goodly sight to see such a number of young men confirming the vows of their Bap-

tism, and uniting in the "Holy Celebration!"

May 12th—(Third Sunday after Easter)—Preached at Christ Church, Tuskaloosa, and confirmed seventeen.

May 14th—Preached morning and evening at St. Stephen's, Eutaw, and confirmed six.

May 16th—Preached at St. Mark's, Boligee.

May 17th—Preached at St. James', Livingston, and confirmed three.

These three last named points are under the care of the Rev. Walter R Dye, late of the Diocese of Georgia.

May 19th—(Fourth Sunday after Easter)—Preached at Church of the Advent, Birmingham, and confirmed thirty-five.

Evening of the same day, preached at St. Mary's, in the Highlands, and confirmed eleven.

May 20th—Preached at the new Church at Bessemer, confirmed six persons, and celebrated Holy Communion.

Thus ended my Episcopal labors for the Conciliar year 1888-9.

The following is a summary of my official acts since our last Annual Session:

Baptisms—Infants, 1	1
Funerals, 1	1
Lay Readers Licensed	17
Deacons Ordained	4
Priests Ordained	2
Number of persons confirmed	511
Candidates for Holy Orders received	2

I have transferred to other Dioceses as follows, viz:

Rev. Percy Gordon, to Diocese of Kentucky; Rev. Obre R. Bourne, to Missionary jurisdiction of Northern Texas.

I have received into the Diocese, Rev. Vardey McBee, from Diocese of North Carolina; Rev. Benj. Dennis, from Diocese of Virginia; Rev. Walter R. Dye, from Diocese of Georgia.

CLERICAL CHANGES WITHIN THE DIOCESE.

Rev. Thos. Burry (Deacon) has been assigned to duty in Anniston, under direction of Rev. Ch H. Lockwood.

Rev. Benj. Dennis has become Rector of St. Michael's, Faunsdale, and Church of the Holy Cross, Uniontown.

Rev. Walter R. Dye has become rector of St. Stephens', Eutaw; of St. Mark's, Fork of Greene; of St. James, Livingston.

Rev. J. C. Johnes (Deacon) has been assigned to duty at Grace

Church, Trinity; at St. Timothy, Athens; and at St. Luke's, Scottsboro, and has been officiating, as he had opportunity, at St. Paul's, Decatur.

Rev. Jno. A. Harrison, D. D., has been compelled, by ill health, to resign the charge of St. John's, Forkland.

Rev. J. L. Lancaster has been put in temporary charge of St. Paul's, Whistler.

Rev. Vardry McBee has become rector of the Church of the Holy Comforter, Montgomery.

Rev. W. A. Stickney renders such services as his health and strength permit, to destitute places within his reach.

Rev. Lawson H. Snell (Deacon) has been assigned to duty at Union Springs and Troy.

Rev. Walter C. Whitaker has been assigned to duty at [illegible] burn.

OFFICIAL NOTICES RECEIVED, VIZ.:

Of deposition of Fred. C. Lee, by Bishop of W. Michigan; deposition of G F. Pratt, by Bishop of Massachusetts; of deposition of Jas. S. Bush, by Bishop of New York; of deposition of John N. Kilian, by Bishop of Nebraska; of deposition of J J [illegible] Morgan, by Bishop of Long Island; of deposition of Howard [illegible] Widdemer, by Bishop of Pennsylvania; of deposition of John K. Morrison, by Bishop of Nebraska; of deposition of Frank M. Bayne, by Bishop of Arkansas; of deposition of Sidney Wilbur, by Bishop of W. New York.

CONONICAL CONSENTS GIVEN, VIZ:

To consecration of Rev. Dr. Coleman to Episcopate of Delaware; to consecration of Rev. Dr. Kendricks, to Mississippi Episcopate, Arazona and New Mexico; to consecration of Rev. Dr. Knight to Episcopate of Milwaukee.

CHURCH PROPERTY.

The condition of the church property under my charge is substantially the same as reported to the last Council, except that I have closed the account with the fund for proposed Orphan's Home in Huntsville, returning to Mrs James Matthews $2,537.50, an amount nearly double that received from her in trust for said object. The appreciation in the value of bonds purchased, and the compounding of interest had secured the result.

NECROLOGICAL.

Very recently one of our members has passed from our midst into the rest of Paradise, whose name should be recorded here.

MRS. PEGUES, OF DALLAS COUNTY.

She had nearly reached her one hundredth year, and through all that long period had adorned the "doctrine of God, her Saviour in all things."

At the last interview which I was privileged to hold with her, we counted up 158 of her descendants. Many of these—her children and grandchildren—had gone before, but many more remain yet on earth to exemplify her teachings and to perpetuate her gracious influence. Such women never die. They pass from mortal sight, but their light still lingers after sunset, and pours a flood of glory upon the dark clouds which overhang the earth.

I cannot let this occasion pass without recording the name of one of our own sons, who has passed, as we verily hope and believe, from the labors of the "Church Militant," into the rest of Paradise.

RT. REV. SAMUEL SMITH HARRIS, D. D., LATE BISHOP OF MICHIGAN.

My relations with Bishop Harris, both personal and official, were singularly close. In his early manhood I laid hands upon him in confirmation. I made him Deacon, ordered him Priest, and consecrated him Bishop. His Diocese called me to officiate at his burial and to preach his Memorial It seemed fitting that I should have performed for him these last offices, but I did not feel equal to the task.

I have never known any one who developed, mentally, morally and spiritually, more rapidly. He threw himself, soul and body, into the whole work of the ministry. If life be measured by length of days, his was a short life, for he had scarce reached his meridian. But, if life be measured by its intensity, he lived a long life, for he accomplished much. What can I say more? "Even so, Father, for so it seemed good in thy sight." Amen.

The past year has been marked by signal manifestations of the Divine favor towards our Diocese. Many new churches have been builded; many old buildings have been rehabilitated and beautified. Our clergy have been abundant unwearied in labors; the number of persons confirmed is much larger than ever before, and the whole outlook is most encouraging. Have we not abun-

dant cause for thanksgiving, and every reason for entering upon the duties of the opening Conciliar year with renewed zeal and diligence?

I have prepared no Pastoral for this year. Although the Canon law only requires of the Bishop a Pastoral once in three years, I have seldom failed to prepare an annual address. I have been prevented from preparing one this year by unremitting labor up to the day of the session of the Council.

It only remains for me to record my grateful sense of the kindness and consideration which has been ever extended to me by both Clergy and Laity, and to wish for you "Grace, Mercy and Peace from God, our Father, and His Son, our Lord Jesus Christ," our most adorable Saviour and Redeemer

Yours faithfully and affectionately,

RICH'D H. WILMER,

Bishop of the Diocese of Alabama.

DIOCESE OF ALABAMA, May 21st, 1889.

[APPENDIX B.]

Report of the Trustees of the Bishop's Fund.

The Trustees of the Bishop's Fund beg leave to submit the following report for the year ended May 23, 1889:

The report of the Treasurer shows that the interest on the Alabama bonds up to the 1st of January, 1889, amounting to $660, and the rents of the Hamner Hall property up to the 30th of June, 1888, amounting to $560, amounting in the aggregate to $1,220, have been collected; while he has paid to the Treasurer of the Diocese $500, leaving a balance of $720 in his hands.

The city of Selma, under an act of the Legislature, is funding its old bonds in new bonds bearing four per cent. interest. The Trustees may deem it best to make the exchange, and request that authority be given the Treasurer to fund the bonds belonging to this trust, should the Trustees decide to make the change.

The Trustees also advise that any balance in the hands of the Treasurer be invested in Alabama bonds for the benefit of the Fund.

The Trustees would also call attention of the Council to the fact that the lease of the Hamner Hall property to the Rev. Dr. Everhart at $560 per annum, expires the 30th of June next.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

N. H. R. DAWSON,
J. H. FITTS,
H. C. TOMPKINS.

N. H. R. DAWSON, *Treasurer, in Account with* BISHOP'S FUND, 1888.

1888.	DR.	
June 30	Semi-annual interest on Alabama bonds	$ 330 00
July 5	Rent of Hamner Hall from Dr. Everhart	200 00
Oct. 11	Rent from Dr. Everhart	150 00
Nov. 20	Rent from Dr. Everhart	100 00
Dec. 31	Semi-annual interest on Alabama bonds	330 00
1889.		
Feb. 9	Rent from Dr. Everhart	66 00
Feb. 14	Rent from Dr. Everhart	44 00
		$1,220 00
1889.	CR.	
July 5	By amount paid Geo. A. Wilkins, Treasurer	$ 500 00
May 21	Balance	$ 720 00

SELMA, ALA., May 18, 1889.

THIS IS TO CERTIFY, That this Bank holds in its vaults for safe-keeping the following bonds of Mr. N. H. R. Dawson, as Treasurer of the Bishop's Fund of the Diocese of Alabama:

Registered Bonds, Class A, sixteen bonds (16) of $1,000 each, numbered as follows, viz: 457, 471, 456, 455, 453, 451, 450, 449, 448, 447, 446, 445, 444, 470, 454 and 452.

One (1) Class A Coupon Bond, No. 6765, $500; three (3) City of Selma Bonds, Nos. 53, 54 and 52, $500 each, and one (1) City of Selma Bond, No. 116, for $1,000. Respectfully,

GEO. WM. LEWIS, *Assistant Cashier*
The Commercial Bank of Selma.

[APPENDIX C.]

Proceedings of the Society for the Relief of Disabled Clergymen, and the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen.

BIRMINGHAM, May 23, 1889.

The Society was called together by the Rt. Rev. President, and the following members were found to be present:

RT. REV. R. H. WILMER, D. D.

Rev. J. M. Banister, D. D.,
" R. H. Cobbs, D. D.,
" J. L. Lancaster,
" W. A. Stickney,
Rev. T. J. Beard,
" P. A. Fitts,
" F. B. Lee,
Mr. R. M. Nelson,
Mr. C. E. Waller.

A quorum being present, the Society was declared to be duly organized and ready for business.

The following report was presented and read:

HUNTSVILLE, ALA., May 25, 1889.

The Executive Committee was called to order by the Rt. Rev. President; all the members being present except the Treasurer, R. M. Nelson.

On motion, the Treasurer was instructed to send

Rev. F. B. Lee	$100 00
Mrs. Porter	50 00
The Misses Ticknor	50 00
Mrs. J. M. Robertson	50 00
Miss Mary Robertson	50 00

On motion, this report was received and concurred in.

The Treasurer presented his report which, on motion, was referred to the Executive Committee.

On motion, it was

Resolved, That hereafter the Treasurer be requested to send in his report to the Executive Committee thirty days before the Council.

Rev. R. H. Cobbs was nominated and elected Secretary; Mr. R. M. Nelson was nominated and elected Treasurer; and Rev. R. W. Barnwell and Mr. C. E. Waller, members of the Executive Committee.

On motion, the Society adjourned *sine die*.

R. H. COBBS, *Secretary*. RICH'D H. WILMER, *President*.

R. M. NELSON, TREASURER, *in Account with*

THE SOCIETY FOR THE RELIEF OF DISABLED CLERGYMEN, AND OF THE WIDOWS AND ORPHANS OF DECEASED CLERGYMEN.

1888.	DR.	
May 21—	To Balance on hand last report	$ 647 75
June 2—	Ch. Nativity, Huntsville, Convention Collections	23 00
Nov. 9—	Trinity Church, Mobile	20 00
Dec. 5—	St. Paul's Church. Greensboro	7 00
	St. Andrew's Church, Hale county	5 00
29—	St. James' Church, Eufaula	10 00
	Church of Advent, Birmingham	32 75
1889.		
Jan. 2—	To Church of the Nativity, Huntsville	27 36
	Trinity Church, Florence	2 00
8—	St. John's Church, Mobile	15 00
	St. Paul's Church, Selma	7 00
April 25—	Grace Church, Anniston	23 70
May 9—	Trinity Church, Demopolis	16 40
Annual Interest Collected for 1888-9—		
January 1—	To 4% interest on $13,500 Class A, Alabama Bonds	540 00
	6% interest on $4,000 Alabama 6% Bonds	240 00
		$1,617 06

1888.	CR.		
June 14—	By Cash paid Rev. F. B Lee.....(1)....	$100 00	
	Mrs. J. D. Porter.....(2)....	50 00	
	Mrs. J. M. Robertson.(3)....	50 00	
	Miss Mary Robertson.(4)....	50 00	
	Mrs. J. H. Ticknor...(5)....	50 00	
Feb. 1—	By Cash paid Ala. 6% Bond No. 723.(6)....	510 00	$ 810 00
1889—	May 21—Balance on hand		$ 807 06

Assets same as last year, and Bond No. 723.

[APPENDIX D.]

Report of Chas. E. Waller, Treas'r Diocesan Missions.

CHAS. E. WALLER, *Treasurer of Diocesan Missions.*

DEBITS.

To Balance on hand as per last report	$481 79	
St. Paul's Church, Greensboro	340 28	
St. John's Church, Montgomery	623 40	
Trinity Church, Mobile	251 30	
St. John's Church, Mobile	55 00	
Christ Church, Mobile	311 13	
Grace Church, Anniston	500 00	
Church of the Holy Innocents, Auburn	20 80	
Church of the Advent, Birmingham	252 90	
St. Mary's Church, Birmingham	46 25	
St. Paul's Church, Carlowville	127 55	
Coalburg Mission	5 00	
Trinity Church, Demopolis	45 83	
St. James' Church, Eufaula	20 00	
St. Mary's Church, Evergreen	13 00	
Trinity Church, Florence	34 85	
St. Thomas' Church, Greenville	21 50	
Church of the Nativity. Huntsville	309 05	
St. Luke's Church, Jacksonville	49 87	
St. James' Church, Livingston	7 05	
St. Andrews' Church, Gallion	43 45	
St. Wilfrid's Church, Marion	13 00	
Montevallo Mission	11 70	
Emanuel Church, Opelika	12 25	
St. Paul's Church, Selma	252 35	
St. Peter's Church, Tailadega	7 80	
Christ Church, Tuscaloosa	300 00	
St. John's Church, Tuscumbia	61 35	
St. Paul's Church, Whistler	5 10	
Boligee	32 80	
Grace Church, Trinity	33 00	
Brierfield	13 75	
Church of the Holy Comforter, Montgomery	66 60	
Mrs. Echol's, Pell City	1 00	$4,370 70

CREDITS.

By Rev. DeB. Waddell	100 00	
" J. C. Johnes	225 00	
" G. M. Everhart, D. D	400 00	
" O. R. Bourne	300 00	
" Geo. R. Upton	110 15	
" W. T. Allen	400 00	
" B. F. Mower	200 00	
" J. F. Smith	508 55	
" L. H. Snell	200 00	
" F. B. Lee	208 00	
" W. C. Whitaker	250 00	
" R. J. Walker	215 70	
" Chas. H. Lockwood	500 00	
" W. R. Dye	100 00	
" H. Stringfellow, D. D	10 00	
Traveling expenses of Treasurer, stationery for Societies, postage and exchange	39 78	
Balance on hand	603 52	$4,370 70
To balance in Treasurer's hands		603 52

[APPENDIX E.]

The Account of the Treasurer.

(Condensed for Publication.)

GEO. A. WILKINS, *Treasurer, in Acc't with the* DIOCESE OF ALABAMA.

RECEIPTS 1888 AND 1889.

May 23, 1888—	Cash balance in the Treasury	$ 422 58
	Assessments paid by Parishes	4,190 00
	Received from Treasurer of Bishop's Fund	500 00
	Total	$5,112 58

DISBURSEMENTS.

Rt. Rev. Richard H. Wilmer, salary as Bishop	$4,000 00
Rev. R. H. Cobbs, salary as Secretary	100 00
Mr. Geo. A. Wilkins, salary as Treasurer	50 00
G. B. Thomas & Co., one-half life insurance premium policy of Bishop Wilmer	122 50
Union Springs Herald, printing Journal of 1887-88	334 93
David Rice, sexton Church of Nativity, Huntsville	15 00
Rev. J. L. Tucker, President of the Standing Committee	87 00
Printing, postage and express Treasurer's office	41 25
May 21st, 1889, balance on hand	361 90
Total	$5,112 58

SELMA, ALA., May 20, 1889.

To the Finance Committee the Protestant Episcopal Church the Diocese of Alabama:

THIS IS TO CERTIFY, That Mr. Geo. A. Wilkins, as Treasurer of the Diocese of Alabama, has to his credit on the books of this Bank the sum of $361.90.

Very truly,

(Signed) GEO. WM. LEWIS, *Assistant Cashier*
The Commercial Bank of Selma, Ala.

[APPENDIX F.]

REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE, ON THE CONSTITUTION AND CANONS.

In the Constitution: Amend Article III, Section entitled *Lay* Members, to read as follows:

The laymen shall consist of any number of deputies not exceeding five from each parish and one from each organized mission, in union with this Council, chosen from the male Communicants of full age.

Amend Article VI., on *Methods of Voting*, by inserting after the words "shall be decisive," this sentence:

But in a vote by Orders, the deputies from missions shall not be counted.

Amend Article IX., so that it shall read as follows:

The Standing Committee required by the Canons of the General Convention, shall consist of three clergymen and three laymen; shall be elected at each annual meeting of the Council; and shall hold office until their successors are elected. Vacancies in the Committee shall be filled by the remaining members. A majority shall be a quorum. All traveling, publishing, and other necessary expenses of the Committee, shall be paid by the Treasurer of the Diocese, upon the requisition of the President of the Committee.

Insert two Articles, to be numbered XI. and XII., and make the present Article XI., Article XIII.

ARTICLE XI.

Of Parishes.

A parish may be admitted into union with this Council upon the following conditions:

(*a*) It shall lay before the Council the consent of the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese to its organization.

(*b*) It shall be incorporated under the laws of the State of Alamama, and shall lay a copy of its Charter, or Articles of Association, before the Council, acknowledging and acceding to the doctrines, discipline and worship of the Church in Alabama, signed by not less than twenty-five Communicants, of whom at least fifteen shall be males of full age.

(*c*) It shall be organized by the election of not less than three nor more than eleven Vestrymen, who shall be male Communicants of twenty-one years of age, in good standing, who shall have designated two of their number as Wardens, according to methods recognized by their Articles or By-Laws, and shall have a Secretary and Treasurer.

(*d*) It shall have sustained, at its own cost, the regular and sole ministrations of a Presbyter or Deacon, as its Minister or Rector, for at least six months prior to its application.

(*e*) It shall lay before the Council satisfactory evidence of its ability and purpose to support a regular Minister, to provide a suitable Church building, and to bear its proportion of the expenses of the Diocese.

ARTICLE XII.

Of Organized Missions.

A Mission may be admitted into union with, and taken under the charge of, this Council, upon the following conditions:

(*a*) It shall lay before the Council the consent of the Ecclesiastical Authority for its organization.

(*b*) It shall also lay before the Council Articles of Association, acknowledging and acceding to the doctrines, discipline and worship of the Church in Alabama, and signed by not less than fifteen Communicants, of whom at least three shall be males of full age.

(*c*) It shall be organized by the election or appointment of a Warden,

a Clerk and a Treasurer, whose duties shall be similar to those of parishes. It shall also adopt a suitable name.

(*d*) It shall have secured the stated services of a Missionary appointed or approved by the Ecclesiastical Authority, and shall state his name, and the stipend he is receiving from them.

(*e*) Its property, if any, shall be vested in trust in the Bishop of the Diocese and his successors in office.

Of Mission Stations.

Places where services are held, but where the Church is not strong enough for organization, should be reported to the Council by the Missionary in charge, or by the Dean or Archdeacon, or by the Bishop, as MISSION STATIONS; and a layman there resident should be appointed by the clergyman in charge, or by the Bishop, to make report according to the provision of the Canon on Parochial Reports.

Title I., Canon I.: Strike out Section 1.

Section 2 (*b*) Amend by adding the words, "When the Council is voting by Orders."

Canon VI. Add this clause, "Vacancies occurring after the adjournment of the Council next preceding the meeting of the General Convention, shall be filled by appointment of the Bishop."

Canon VIII., Section 1. After the words, "not more than eleven members," insert the words, "who shall be male Communicants of full age and in good standing, and"

Strike out Section 5.

Amend Section 4 to read as follows:

"*Qualifications of Voters.*

"In every parish the voters, where not otherwise determined by legal statute, shall be male persons of full age, belonging to the parish or congregation, who have been baptized, and who have been regular contributors to the support of the parish or congregation for not less than six months prior to such voting."

Amend Section 9 to read as follows:

"There shall be held at least four regular Vestry meetings in each year, one of which shall be in Easter tide, and the others quarterly thereafter."

Title IV. Canon 2, Section 2: Amend to read as follows:

"No proposed alteration of, or addition to the Canons, shall be considered by the Council, unless by unanimous consent, without one day's notice thereof in open Council; nor shall such alteration or addition be adopted during the same Council, if two-thirds of those present and voting shall not concur therein. If the proposed alteration or addition be affirmed by a majority, but not by two-thirds of those voting, then the measure shall lie over until the next Annual Council, and if again affirmed by a majority vote, it shall take effect as the action of the Council."

[APPENDIX G.]

Report of Treasurer of University of the South.

THEOLOGICAL DEPARTMENT UNIVERSITY OF THE SOUTH,
In Account with H. A. LOWE, *Treasurer Diocese Alabama.*

CR.

May 15, 1888—Cash on hand	$ 35		
Jan'y 3, 1889— " of Christ Church, Mobile	18 30		
" 3, " — " of Church Nativity, Huntsville	10 00		
April 9, " — " of Church Advent, Birmingham	6 00		
" 25, " — " of Grace Church, Anniston	20 00		
" collected by Rev. R. H. Cobbs	24 00		$78 65

DISBUSEMENTS.

April 25, 1889—Cash P. O. order and cost	$34 20	
" " — " New York check	20 00	
" " — " remitted by Rev. R. H. Cobbs	24 00	
" " — " on hand	45	$78 65

Respectfully submitted, H. A. LOWE,
Mobile, May 18, 1889. *Treasurer.*

[APPENDIX H.]

Rt. Rev. R. H. Wilmer, D. D., Bishop of Alabama:

As required by resolution of the Council of Alabama, I hereby submit my annual report:

During the last conventional year I have visited the following Parishes and Missions: Coalburg, Bessemer, Jacksonville, Union Springs, Florence, Sheffield, Decatur, Clanton, Scottsboro, Opelika and Auburn; and an appointment made for Troy was prevented by the running of the trains. In all these places a Missionary auxiliary was either organized or stimulated to a discharge of their obligations. The general outlook is, in every sense, most encouraging. By reference to the reports of the Treasurer of Diocesan Missions, it will be seen that in 1886 the amount contributed to Diocesan Missions was $1,683.58; in 1887, the amount reported by the Treasurer was $2,176.57. In 1888, under the system of Auxiliary Societies, inaugurated by the present Treasurer, to whom the thanks of the Convention are due, the contributions amounted to $4,093.39; and by his report of this year it will be seen that his gross receipts are $456.83 in excess of last year.

Eight Parishes or Missions have been added to the list of contributions; twelve Parishes or Missions have largely increased their contributions of last year. If the Church in Alabama would only realize that the "Church of Christ" is not a parochial organization, but universal "Freely ye have received, freely give," we would be able to support our Diocesan Missions without the aid of the Domestic Board.

I have arranged with the Treasurer to make a complete visitation of the Diocese, between this and the fall, of all Missions and Parishes, with the consent of the respective Rectors.

Respectfully submitted,

May 21st, 1889. H. STRINGFELLOW, Arch Deacon.

[APPENDIX I.]

Report of the Committee on Parochial Reports.

The Parochial Reports contain very much interesting matter, and are a pleasant and profitable study. In them we may feel the pulse of the Diocese, and trace the progress of the growth or decline of its various parts. There has been great improvement during the last few years in the carefulness and accuracy of the statistics reported to the Council, upon which we may justly congratulate ourselves; although this report will presently show still existing a considerable lack in these respects.

Families.—The statement is often made that we lose by death and removal more than we can make good by all our efforts. The reports show that 83 families moved away from their parishes during the year. Many of these left the Diocese, but a large number simply removed from one part of the State to another. Nearly one-half of this loss occurred in one parish, but was caused by a very simple matter, namely, the transfer of forty families from St. John's, Montgomery, to the new parish of the Holy Comforter, in the same city. There was, therefore, a loss of 43 families in the Diocese, of which we have no record that they were transferred within the State. To offset these, we have reported a gain of 164 families; deducting the 43 lost from the 164 gained, and we have a clear gain of 121 families, either accessions to the Church or removals of Church families from other States. The Church of the Holy Comforter, Montgomery, does not report the 40 families received from St. John's as a gain during the year, but does report a total of 60 families. We can account for 40 of these, but the other 20 should be added to the 121 above, making a net gain of 141 families in the Diocese during the year. * * It has been stated that the drift of Church people is from the small towns to the cities, but the figures do not appear to confirm this supposition. The small places report losses of nine families and gains of 55, or nearly one-third of the whole gain, while their relative expectation should be considerably less than one-third; that is, they gained more in proportion than the city parishes, and lost less. Stating it another way, the country parishes gained six families for every one lost, while the city parishes gained four for every one lost. It would be interesting to trace out these changes further, but as 34 places do not report changes in the number of their families, while several places which reported last year do not report this year, it is impossible to do so.

There are in all 2,296 families in the Diocese, with two parishes—St. Michael's, Anniston, and St. Mary's, Birmingham—and several mission stations, not reporting.

Parishioners.—The number of parishioners reported last year was 9,975; this year we appear to have 10,550, with the above two parishes not reporting. The figures as given, however, show a net gain of 575, which would perhaps have been 1,000 had the reports been full. The figures indicate an average of 4½ members to each family, which is probably under the truth, or else an indication of a nearly stationary population. The reports are not yet accurate enough for correct generalization. In glancing down the columns one cannot resist the feeling that some of the figures given are only rough estimates, and probably in excess of the truth; but we have not yet data enough to check off and correct these errors with any certainty.

Communicants.—Last year there were, by the parochial reports, 4,985 Communicants; this year there are 5,409, with two parishes and several missions not reporting. One of the parishes is a new one, so that we have no data by which to judge its probable strength, but St. Mary's, Birmingham, last year reported 110 Communicants, and probably has not less this year. The missions not reporting are Brown's Station, Cross Plains, Fowl River, Gainesville, Grand Bay, Pushmataha, Columbia, and these gave last year eighty-nine Communicants. Adding these omissions to the number reported, and we have 5,608 Communicants in the Diocese, which number cannot be far from correct. The losses by death were 73, and by removal 202, in all 331; the gains were by confirmation 429, by admission 90, by removal into parishes 229, in all 798. Taking the number of Communicants last year as 4,985, and the number this year as 5,608, and our net gain during the year is 623, a gain of one-eighth, or almost exactly twelve and one-half per cent. This is a rapid rate of increase; we doubt if any other religious body in the State has equalled it. There were 429 Communicants gained by confirmation, but the reports show 483 persons confirmed, which would indicate that 54 of the confirmees were not admitted to Communion. By comparing the columns, we find that in one parish 18 were confirmed, but only three Communicants were gained out of that class; in another three were confirmed and none admitted as Communicants; in two others 15 and 10 were confirmed—of the 15 none were admitted, and of the 10 seven were admitted. In the cases where none were admitted there probably was carelessness in making out the reports; the others are difficult to account for, but it is possible that some of our Clergy hold the opinion that the preparation for confirmation is not sufficient, but that delay should be interposed and further instruction given before a confirmed person is admitted to Communion.

Much interesting information might have been gathered from the analysis columns had the questions been generally answered in the reports. The questions regarding sex are only answered for 2,044 Com-

municants. but of these 755 are males, or more than one-third. It has been said of Roman Catholics that not more than one-tenth are males, and of other bodies that not more than one-sixth of their Communicants are males; if we have one-third, or one male to every two female Communicants, the fact is of great significance and well worth knowing. We appear to have but 60 colored Communicants, but there are probably omissions in the reports; of these 60, 53 are in Mobile, and this would indicate that Mobile is trying to do its duty to this race of people. In this "analysis" of Communicants, 11 reports answer with fair fullness, 18 make no answers, 13 answer only one question, four answer two questions; 36 are unable to divide their Communicants into male and female, 41 fail to separate them into adults and minors. We hope the reports will be more full next year.

Sunday Schools.—Forty-seven places report schools, six do not. In the 47 reporting there are 368 teachers, 64 other officers, and 2,813 pupils; this would show an average of about 7½ pupils in each class. The Council at its last session dropped from the reports the question concerning the number from the Sunday School in each confirmation class; the Committee regret this loss, for it would be of value to know the proportion of increase which comes through this channel year by year. A few years of this information would give us the percentage of increase which we might expect from this source in years to come, and would enable each Rector to estimate the average number of candidates for confirmation which he might expect from each 100 pupils in his Sunday School. * * Last year the reports showed 2,599 pupils in the Diocese, 42 places reporting and 14 not reporting; that is, five places report this year more than last year. It is impossible to say whether or not there has been any increase in the number of pupils; the apparent increase of 214 is probably caused by deficient reports last year. There are three Mission Sunday Schools in the Diocese; these are in Anniston, Birmingham and Tuskaloosa, and have 204 pupils. There are four Day Schools—two in Anniston and one each in Birmingham and Mobile, with 255 pupils.

Baptisms.—Out of 53 reports tabulated this year, 14 contain no mention of baptisms. A part of the 14 are small missions, where perhaps there were no baptisms, but a part are parishes of some size, which from some cause made no report. In the 39 places reporting there were 465 baptisms, of which 87 were adults, 357 infants, and 13 not specified; there were 35 colored persons baptized, of whom seven were adults. Last year there were 490 baptisms, a decrease this year of 25, while six more places reported this year than last year.

Parish Societies.—There are 62 Societies of the Laity in the Diocese, under the various names of Guilds, Chapters, Brotherhoods, Aids, etc. Of the sixty-two 14 do not report the number of members. In 47 of the 62 Societies there are 1,324 members; and if the 14 have the same average number, there are at least 1,716 of the Laity at work for the Church in organizations under the direction of their Rectors. But 26 places

make no returns, and in this number there are probably some which have Societies. We hope for more complete reports next year. For remarks on the amounts of money raised by these Societies, see below, under head of "*Sources of Income.*"

Ministerial Offices.—There were 109 marriages this year, against 119 last year, while in 31 places there were no marriages. There were 899 public celebrations and 83 private this year, against 805 and 74, respectively, last year; but 14 places this year do not report on this subject. There were 245 burials this year, against 227 last year, while in 23 places this year there appear to have been no burials, yet two of these latter lost communicants by death. There were 1,262 sermons preached and 400 lectures delivered, with less than one-half of the places reporting. The aggregate of all religious services for instruction or worship in the Diocese was 5,183, with nine places not reporting.

Confirmations.—Forty confirmations were held in the Diocese from May 1, '88, to May 1, '89, and 483 persons were confirmed. The Bishop states in his address that he confirmed over 500 persons, but the parochial reports close on the first of May, while the Bishop's address covers three weeks more time up to the meeting of the Council. Of 483 persons confirmed 108 were males, 118 females, and 257 not specified; 122 were adults, 96 minors, and 265 not specified; 94 are reported as coming from other religious bodies, and 71 were heads of families; while 14 places out of the 40 in which confirmations were held make no returns regarding these specifications.

FINANCIAL SUMMARY.

Sources of Income.—Only four parishes in the Diocese appear by the reports to be supported by pew rents, but these amount to $12,472.80. The subscriptions, the more general method of meeting the expenses of the Church, amount to $28,199.43. The sum given to the poor through the communion alms last year was $2,411 28. The returns concerning Guilds and Societies are very incomplete; 27 places report such societies in existence, while 11 of the 27 make no returns of money raised by their societies. On the other hand, four parishes which did not report any societies as existing, do report $2,215.65 as raised by "Guilds and Societies." A queerness like this is, of course, the result of carelessness. The whole amount reported as the work of lay organizations is $10,707.16, which is a noble record even were it all; and this great aid to church work in the Diocese was accomplished mostly by women. The parishes which report societies but do not report amounts raised by them, are noted by a cipher in the column appropriated to "*Guilds and Societies*" in the tables, under the heading "*Sources of Income.*" These societies hold reserve funds in their treasuries for future work $4,225.03. The Sunday Schools of the Diocese raised $3,639.63. Twenty-eight of the 47 Sunday Schools report this amount, while 19 Sunday Schools do not report the amount of their collections. These are noted by a cipher in the column of "*Sunday School Offerings.*" The total income of all the parishes in the

Diocese is, by the reports, $84,890.67, with five parishes and four missions not reporting.

EXPENDITURES.

General Objects.—Foreign and Domestic Missions received $702.21 from Alabama during the year; Indian Missions, $2.76. The Good Friday collection for the Jews was given by only 15 parishes, and amounted to $120.68; two parishes gave over one-third of this amount. Only one parish contributed to the Bible and Prayer Book Society, hence the column for this purpose was omitted from the tables; the amount given was $4, by St. James, Eufaula. The whole amount given by Alabama for general Church purposes was $1,110.50.

Diocesan Objects.—The amount paid upon the assessments ordered by the last Council was $3,920, with nine places not reporting. The failures to report amounts paid can be found by comparing the report of the Treasurer with the assessment column in the tables. For Diocesan Missions the amount contributed was $3,243.18; this may be compared with the report of Mr. Waller, the Treasurer of this fund, for detection of errors in parochial reports. For the Church Home the whole amount given was $1,309.05, of which $1,200 was given by the three Mobile parishes. This great charity ought not to be so neglected by the Diocese. For the Theological Department of the University of the South the amount given was $146.95; only nine parishes contributed to this fund. Last year the amount was $159.87. In former years Alabama was one of the few Dioceses which gave regularly $500 per annum, the sum asked for by the Trustees of that institution, but of late there has been a great decrease. The fund for the relief of disabled Clergy and for the widows and orphans of deceased Clergy, increased this year by the sum of $162.59, only 11 parishes contributing. The whole amount given during the year for Diocesan purposes was $9,404.27, with five parishes and five missions not reporting. Last year the amount given was $8,809.23.

Parochial Objects.—There was given for the support of the Clergy during the year $27,399.19, and including the Bishop say $31,400, with six parishes and four missions not reporting. The current expenses, which include the cost of sextons, organists, choirs, lighting and heating, and other minor matters, were $9,272.19, with 17 parishes and four missions not reporting. Repairs and improvements cost $13,939.69, and there was "*Expended for the Poor*" $2,283.05. The "*Communion Alms*" were $2,411.28. An analysis of these two columns shows that seven parishes gave less than their communion alms to the poor; 16 parishes receiving communion alms gave nothing to the poor, and these two classes used $851.64 for other purposes than alms; five parishes gave more than their communion alms to the poor. and two—one parish and one mission—report no alms, but gave quite liberally to the poor, and these two classes gave $700.41 more than their specific offerings. That is, the communion alms are minus $851.64 and plus $700.41 of the amount given to the poor. Two parishes report a balance, giving exactly the amount

received. The discrepancies are caused in part by unexpended balances, or by the payment of traveling expenses of missionaries, and perhaps other causes. One parish has expended $1,150 for missionary work within its own limits, which is an extraordinary thing and deserves special mention. This was Grace Church, Anniston. There were expended for new buildings $5,290.16, of which one parish reports $3,899. Altogether, the reports show a total of $76,857.78 spent for parochial purposes during the year, and when the amounts given for Diocesan and general objects are added we have an aggregate of $88,180.58, with six places not reporting. Last year this aggregate was $129,218.55, but that year included over $50,000 for new buildings; two churches, one chapel and one chapter house being constructed, one house purchased, and the foundations of a large church laid. Aside from these large expenditures the general giving of the Church was about $5,000 larger this year than last.

Present Condition.—There is but one mortgage debt in the Diocese reported, and that amounts to only $1,000. The floating debt also is very small, only four parishes reporting such debt, and they owing but $2,145.50. The salaries of the Clergy and Diocesan assessments have been unusually well paid also; the amounts outstanding and due on the first of May being but $703 04, four parishes reporting. We wish this last item could be trusted, but do not believe it; certainly the amounts paid to the Treasurer after May 1st, by many more than four parishes, much exceeded this figure. It is possible that the funds were in hand or in sight for these payments, and that parish Treasurers preferred to report as paid that which they were able to pay. We think this not only an error of fact but an error of judgment, since the next column in the tables, "*Cash in Treasury*," would show the ability to pay and explain why the debt existed. The amount carried over to another year by parish Treasurers is $1,209.20, which would indicate that these treasuries were nearly empty on the first of May.

Special funds held in trust as a foundation for endowment or for future work amount to $9,745.65, seven parishes and one mission reporting. Assets due and not collected are reported by six parishes and one mission to the amount of only $2,269.34. This item, again, cannot be correct. All unpaid pew rents, unpaid subscriptions, unpaid dues, outstanding, on the books of the parish Treasurer or sub-treasurers, such as the officers of societies, should be included under this head. Ten times this amount might be too large, but this amount as it stands is too small, human nature being what it is.

Insurance.—On nearly $300,000 worth of perishable property we have but $61,700 insurance, more than one-third of this amount being held by one parish. Only eight parishes and one mission appear to carry insurance out of 53 reporting. Probably this item is omitted in some reports through inadvertence, but undoubtedly the matter of insurance is not

looked after as it should be. Church property is held in trust by vestries, and it is culpable negligence not to protect it.

Valuation of Property.—Sixteen parishes and five missions report church buildings to the value of $173,950. There are certainly more than 21 churches in the Diocese, but out of 53 reports received only 21 mention the existence of places of worship. With regard to rectories the reports are probably more correct, but these necessary buildings appear to be owned by only nine parishes, viz.: Grace Church, Anniston; The Advent, Birmingham; St. James. Eufaula; Trinity Church, Florence; St. Wilfrid's, Marion; Christ Church and St. John's, Mobile; St. Paul's, Selma, and Christ Church, Tuskaloosa. Several parishes should be added to this list, but these are the only ones which report Rectories. The values given amount to $44,300. There appear to be but two parishes in the Diocese which possess other buildings than churches and rectories. Under the heading "*Chapels, Parish Houses, School Houses, Etc.,*" Grace Church, Anniston, reports two schools built of stone and valued at $28,000, and Christ Church, Mobile, reports a Chapter House costing $10,000. If there are other parishes than these possessing chapels, schools or other buildings, the reports do not mention them. The value of land not built upon and other real property owned by eight parishes and one mission amounts to $82,150. Grace Church, Anniston, owns $35,000 of this, and the Church of the Advent, Birmingham, $30,400. The organs and all church furniture are reported at $27,271, probably about one-half of the real amount, as only 12 parishes and four missions report this item. The total amount of capital invested is $536,671, with 28 parishes and eight missions reporting, and 13 parishes and three missions failing to report.

Incorporation and Title.—Seven parishes in the Diocese are incorporated, viz.: Mobile, Christ Church and St. John's; Selma, Marion, Sheffield, Huntsville and Greensboro. Four report themselves as not incorporated, and 27 do not answer the question. The title deeds of eight parishes are vested in the Bishop and his successors in office, as "corporation sole," in trust for the use of the parish. One parish does not know, and therefore cannot have any legal title to its property. One vests its property in three trustees; two in their wardens and vestry; one in "trustees," not stating the number; one in "the vestry," and one in "the parish," not stating the style of corporation, while 29 do not answer the question.

In closing this report your committee would respectfully ask the Clergy in making out their parochial reports for the next Council, to please bear in mind that none of the questions asked are trivial; the information sought for is important, and will be seen to be so when the returns shall become full enough and accurate enough to enable us to draw inferences from them, and study the meanings of the facts disclosed by them. This is the first year in which it has been possible to glean any trustworthy information from the parochial reports, and we hope that the improvement recently

made may progressively continue. We ask the Clergy also to please remember that every figure they make on these reports must be read and considered by this Committee, and carefully copied into the appropriate place provided in the statistical tables appended to this Journal. The figures should be plainly made and the additions should be correct. Of the 53 reports sent in fully 20 had incorrect footings, entailing great additional labor upon the Committee. In writing a column of figures units should be under units, tens under tens, etc., and the blanks are arranged to make this easy to do, yet an astonishing number of the reports violated this first principle of notation, forcing the Committee in some cases to re-write the whole column in order to correct the errors in addition. Again, it is a fact with which every honest man is familiar, that no money can be spent which is not first received; this is true with regard to corporations also, even though they be churches. The financial part of the parochial report is so arranged as first to show what the income of a parish is and how derived, and secondly how that exact income is spent. If a parish receives $1,000 from all sources, including gifts and borrowings, and spends $1,200, something is wrong, and it is probably not the parish but the report that is wrong. Not more than one-half of the reports were balanced when received by the Committee. Some of these were corrected during the session of the Council and others since, but many are published as received, and may be found by comparing the column of "*Total Income,*" in the tables, with the column "*Aggregate Expenditure.*" The footings of these columns would indicate that the parishes spent $3,289.91 more than they received, which, as this is an honest Diocese, is probably not true; yet the Clergy themselves tell it, and with regard to the corporations of which they are the heads, and for whose misconduct they are in a large measure responsible. The Committee, therefore, respectfully ask the Clergy to take some pains to find out where the money expended came from, to correctly make all their own additions, to balance income with expenditure, and generally to throw as little labor as possible upon this Committee. Notwithstanding the above, we do not believe there is another Diocese in the American Church where a good form of parochial report, which is necessarily somewhat complicated, would have met with so little opposition, where the Clergy generally would have tried so faithfully to master its details and meet its requirements, and where so great an improvement could have been made in four years with so little friction, as in Alabama.

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STATISTICAL SUMMARY.

Number.	Parishes and Missions. Locality.	Name of Parish.	Officers. Rector.	Wardens.	Treasurer.	Clerk.		Families. Number Reported Last Year	Changes Lost.	Changes Gained.	Present Number of Families.	Parishioners. Number Reported Last Year.	Changes Lost.	Changes Gained.	Present Number of Parishioners.
1	Anniston	Grace Church	P. A. Fitts	J. W. Noble, A. L. Tyler	J. B. Rees	V. H. Marshall	1	92	..	18	110	314	...	...	372
2	Anniston	St. Michael's	C. H. Lockwood	.....	.....	.....	2	.....	..	...	.....	.....	...	...	.....
3	Birmingham	Advent	T. J. Beard	Chas. Wheelock, A. J. Milner	John Morris	R. Coleman	3	230	20	23	235	1122	80	92	1200
4	Birmingham	St. Mary's	L. W. Rose	.....	.....	.....	4	58	..	...	....	241	...	...	.....
5	Bon Secour	St. Peter's	.....	J. H. A. Miller	William Witt	.....	5	12	..	...	12	67	...	...	67
6	Carlowville	St. Paul's	F. B. Lee	J. D. Alison, R. J. Lide	J. D. Alison, Jr.	J. D. Alison, Jr.	6	23	..	..	24	107	...	1	108
7	Dallas Co.	Grace Church	F. B. Lee	J. Boykin, J. B. Lang	Thos. Boykin	.....	7	12	..	..	12	49	...	3	52
8	Decatur	St Paul's	.....	J. H. Gray, W. A. Bibb	J. H. Gray	W. H. Jarvis	8	45	..	..	48	210	18	...	192
9	Demopolis	Trinity Church	J. A. Harrison	E. H. Bailey, J. R. Robertson	D. F. Prout	D. F. Prout	9	48	..	1	49	201	...	2	203
10	Eufaula	St. James'	E. W. Spalding	H. R. Shorter, H. D. Clayton	P. H. Morris	P. H. Morris	10	38	2	5	36	164	17	8	162
11	Eutaw	St. Stephen's	W. R. Dye	B. B. Barnes, E. T. Lightfoot	B. B. Barnes	J. O. Banks	11	5		..	23	50	.	10	60
12	Evergreen	St. Mary's	G. R. Upton	P. D. Bowles, F. L. Hickox	C. B. Savage	C. B. Savage	12	8		..	9	20	.	16	36
13	Faunsdale	St. Michael's	Benj. Dennis	John Minge, J. F. Watkins	John Minge	Wm. Selden	13	.		..	26	..	.	..	113
14	Florence	Trinity Church	B. F. Mower	R. L. Bliss, H. Craik	J. M. Patton	H. B. Lee	14	20		7	27	55	.	13	68
15	Forkland	St. John's	J. A. Harrison	.....	.....	.....	15	9		..	9	36	.	..	36
16	Fork of Green	St. Mark's	W. R. Dye	.....	.....	.....	16	8		..	8	35	.	..	35
17	Gadsden	Holy Comforter	W. T. Allen	W. T. Alexander, J. Balfour	J. Balfour	Jas. Balfour	17	5		12	17		.	50	69
18	Greensboro	St. Paul's	R. H. Cobbs	A. S. Jeffries, R. H. Stickney	C. E. Waller	C. Derrick	18	.		..	50		.	..	231
19	Greenville	St. Thomas'	G. R. Upton	D. G. Dunklin, E. Crenshaw	A. W. Metcalf	.....	19	31		..	30	100	.	20	120
20	Huntsville	Nativity	J. W. Banister	P. M. Dox, Jos. Martin	L. Matthews	Jos. Martin	20	05	1	12	116	400	4	48	440
21	Jacksonville	St. Luke's	W. T. Allen	Peyton Rowan, Wm. Dean	Walter Dean	.....	21	14		1	15	71	4	4	71
22	Livingston	St. James'	W. R. Dye	.....	Dr. N. T. Randall	.....	22	19		..	17	60	4	..	56

23	Lowndesboro	St. Paul's	G. R. Upton	W. H. Whetstone, W. B. Hall			23	10			10	30		10	40
24	Macon	St. Andrew's	R. H. Cobbs	H. A. Tayloe, R. H. Dugger	R. H. Dugger	R. H. Dugger	24	10			6	27	3		24
25	Marion	St. Wilfrid's	R. J. Walker	Jas. Gregory, R. H. Evins	R. H. Evins	G. R. Johnson	25	16		13	29	85		31	116
26	Mobile	Christ Church	J. L. Tucker	D. McNeill, H. A. Schroeder	R. Middleton	R. Middleton	26	139	2	8	145	614	22	32	624
27	Mobile	Trinity Church	J. L. Lancaster	H. T. Toulmin, F. J. McCoy	G. B. Cleveland	G. B. Cleveland	27	212			215	1000			1020
28	Mobile	St. John's	G. C. Tucker	O. J. Semmes, W. J. McCowan	W. D. Matzenger	E. Graves	28	245	3	13	255	1149	71	116	1194
29	Montgomery	St. John's	H. Stringfellow	Josiah Morris, Joel White	J. L. Cobbs, Jr.	J. L. Cobbs, Jr.	29	225	40	20	205	1000	160	80	1000
30	Montgomery	Holy Comforter	V. McBee	J. L. Cobbs, T. G. Foster	N. H. Holmes	N. H. Holmes	30				60				300
31	Prattville	St. Mark's	G. M. Everhart	T. W. Smith, T. C. Smith	T. W. Smith	T. W. Smith	31	9			12	22	2	32	52
32	Selma	St. Paul's	R. W. Barnwell	N. H. R. Dawson, Wm. Berg	G. A. Wilkins	E. P. Galt	32	88	1	14	101	456	17	23	463
33	Sheffield	Grace Church	DeB. Waddell	R. C. Randolph, W. H. Jones	R. C. Randolph	W. H. Jones	33	20	7	9	22	100	20	12	112
34	Scottsboro	St. Luke's	J. C. Johnes	Dr. W. H. Payne	P. W. Beach	C. O. Beech	34				13	46		8	54
35	Talladega	St. Peter's	J. Jameson	R. Nickles, J. S. Slaughter	R. Nickles	F. A. Gerrish	35	24	1	3	26	162	7	17	149
36	Troy	St. Mark's	L. H. Snell		*Illegible*		36				8	50	17		33
37	Tuscumbia	St. John's	DeB. Waddell	D. W. Hicks, B. Cooper	Miss S. Newsum	Miss S. Newsum	37				29			2	100
38	Tuskaloosa	Christ Church	J. H. Stringfellow	J. H. Fitts, Alonzo Hill	R. Cochrane	G. P. Ayres	38	67	2	1	66	370		3	362
39	Union Spr'gs	Trinity Church	L. H. Snell		Mrs. R. L. Hobby		39	7			11	40		24	64
40	Uniontown	Holy Cross	B. Dennis	E. Shield, J. M. Langhorne	Wm. Munford	H. Davidson	40	28			28	79		41	120
41	Whistler	St. Paul's					41	25			25	99			99
42	Athens	St. Timothy's	J. C. Johnes		Mrs. R. V. Howard		42	14			12	45		5	50
43	Auburn	Holy Innocents	W. C. Whitaker		J. H. Lane		43	6		1	7	48	7	13	54
44	Brierfield		J. F. Smith		E. T. Peter		44	9			8	50	20		30
45	Bessemer	Trinity Church	J. A. Van Hoose		T. B. Ellison		45				12				48
46	Clayton	Grace Church	E. W. Spalding				46	9	2		7	50	2	1	37
47	Hayneville	St. Andrew's	Geo. R. Upton	J. F. Clements, Jno. Murray			47	10			10	30		10	40
48	Martin's Sta.	St. Luke's	R. J. Walker	A. J. Martin, *Illegible*	Mr. Martin, Jr.	Mr. Dortch	48				8				29
49	Mobile	Good Shepherd	A. W. Pierce				49	51			55	189		11	200
50	Montevallo		J. F. Smith		W. G. Brown		50	8			7	26	2		24
51	Opelika	Emanuel	G. M. Everhart	R. C. Jeter, Jas. Clayton	Jas. Clayton	H. L. Bandy	51	10	1	2	12	54	2	5	56
52	Piedmont	Christ Church	W. T. Allen	J. F. Dailey	J. F. Dailey		52	4	1	1	4	17	2	4	19
53	Trinity Sta.	Grace Church	J. C. Johnes	Dr. L. Minor, *Illegible*	E. G. Roop	E. G. Roop	53	8			11	49		5	54
54	Scattering						54	36			4	183			13
								2082	83	164	2296	9975	493	752	10550

STATISTICAL SUMMARY.—Continued.

Number.	Locality and Parish.	Communicants. Number Reported Last Year	Loss. By Death.	Loss. By Removal.	Loss. Dropped.	Total Loss.	Gain. By Confirm'n	Gain. By Admission	Gain. By Removal.	Total Gain.	Present No. Legally Entitled to Communion	Analysis. Male.	Analysis. Female.	Analysis. Adults.	Analysis. Minors.	Analysis. Colored.	Confirmed Persons who do not Com'ne	Doubtful.	Regular Communic'ts		Parish Institutions. Sunday Schools. Teachers.	Sunday Schools. Other Officers	Sunday Schools. No. of Pupils in Sunday School.	Guilds. No. Societies.	Guilds. No. Members.	Ministerial Offices. Baptisms. Adults.	Baptisms. Infants.	Baptisms. Total Baptisms.	Communions. Public.	Communions. Private.	Marriages.	Burials.	Sermons.	Lectures.	Instructions.
1	Anniston, Grace Church	204	3	14	..	17	25	1	55	81	268	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	9	..	60	3	150	9	25	34	..	..	6	9		..	..
2	" St. Michael's	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
3	Birmingham, Advent	462	5	36	..	41	35	57	2	94	517	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	13	3	110	..	..	13	54	67	78	16	13	30	111	37	..
4	" St. Mary's	110	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	2	..	21	1	10	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
5	Bon Secour, St. Peter's	22	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	22	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
6	Carlowville, St. Paul's	74	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	77	13	61	70	4	..	3	..	74	6	4	1	30	1	..	..	1	1		2		6	27		..
7	Dallas Co., Grace Ch	31	..	..	..	..	1	3	2	5	31	9	22	31	..	1	..	..	33	7	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1		..		4	22	..	..
8	Decatur, St. Paul's	103	..	..	..	36	3	..	..	3	70	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	8	3	1	20	1	25	..	..	..	6	..		5	35	..	..
9	Demopolis, Trinity	93	2	4	..	6	11	..	2	13	106	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	75	9	13	..	78	2	..	..	10	10	2	..	3	5	..	..	..
10	Eufaula, St. James'	98	1	4	4	9	9	..	3	12	98	30	69	83	16	..	4	2	93	10	7	2	66	..	..	1	6	7	69	3	1	2	102	45	7
11	Eutaw, St. Stephen's	46	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	46	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	39	11	7	..	40	..	..	2	1	3	7	..	..		..	..	..
12	Evergreen, St. Mary's	20	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	4	24	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	24	12	4	1	20	2	15	..	1	1	..	..	..		..	..	..
13	Faunsdale, St. Michael's	30	1	..	..	1	10	..	1	11	41	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	13	6	..	26	..	..	8	2	10	7	2	..		..	..	..
14	Florence, Trinity	44	..	..	..	3	5	..	11	16	57	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	14	5	3	24	2	20	1	2	3	3	4	..		..	..	..
15	Forkland, St. John's	18	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	18	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	15	5	..	17	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..		..	..	..
16	Fork of Green, St. Mark's	15	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	16	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	14	16	4	..	13	..	..	..	..	..	6	..	..		..	..	..
17	Gadsden, Holy Comfort'r	..	..	..	..	..	7	..	21	28	36	12	24	30	6	1	8	..	28	17	4	3	20	2	23	..	3	3	7	..	..		14		3
18	Greensboro, St. Paul's	106	3	2	..	5	12	..	..	12	115	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	113	18	13	..	76	2	60	..	11	11	6	2	3	5	80		..
19	Greenville, St. Thomas'	60	..	6	..	6	23	..	..	23	77	..	..	..	..	..	12	..	65	19	6	1	50	2	14	..	..	10	..	..	..		..	..	..
20	Huntsville, Nativity	268	3	8	..	11	19	..	16	35	292	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	20	15	1	164	2	..	1	9	10	8	1	3	9	..	..	..
21	Jacksonville, St. Luke's	46	..	6	..	..	3	..	4	7	42	15	27	34	8	..	12	..	30	21	5	..	19	3	45	..	3	3	0	..	..	3	33	..	18
22	Livingston, St. James'	36	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	37	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	33	22	4	3	23	..	..	..	1	1	7	..	2	1	..	..	..
23	Lowndesboro, St. Paul's	15	..	1	..	1	1	..	..	1	15	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	23	4	1	12	..	..	..	1	1	2	..	..	..	12	..	..

24	Macon, St. Andrew's	24		5		5	1			1	20									24	3		11			1		1	8		1	1			
25	Marion, St. Wilfrid	56	1			1	19	15	4	38	93					4				25	8	1	53	2		2	1	3	32			1			
26	Mobile, Christ Church	383	6	12	2	20	27		13	40	403	131	272	335	68	2	18	7	377	26	16	5	149	8	382		13	13	64	14	9	13	66	10	68
27	" Trinity Church	353				10				28	371									27	15		150			10	25	35			5	20			
28	" St. John's	612	22	14		36	56	2	37	95	671	249	422				50		621	28	38	9	400	9	300	7	51	58	79	14	32	67	110	30	62
29	Montgomery, St. John's	545	6	50		56	20		35	55	544									29	24		190	6			26	26	68	15	8	14	57	46	
30	" Holy Comforter										100								80	30	10		100			6	29	35	43	4		2			
31	Prattville, St. Mark's	24				2				5	27						7		20	31							7	7	3	1					
32	Selma, St. Paul's	272	4	10		14	32	5		37	295	138	157						295	32	18	3	184	2	103	4	10	14	19		3	14	106		
33	Sheffield, Grace Church	35		6		6	8		15	23	52								52	33	6	2	34	1	12	4	4	8	37		3	1	60	40	30
34	Scottsboro, St. Luke's	30	2	1		3	3	3		6	32								32	34	6	4	44			2	4	6				2	16		3
35	Talladega, St. Peter's	75	2	5		7	7		4	11	73					1				35	5	2	33	1			11	11	53	2	1	3	86	15	
36	Troy, St. Mark's	20								3	26	6	20				2		24	36	4	1	16	1	8								27	9	4
37	Tuscumbia, St. John's	45	1			1	2			2	47								47	37	3	2	30	1	25	2		2	18		1	2	50	40	30
38	Tuskaloosa, Christ Ch.	209	3	6		9	17			17	217	98	119	175	42				217	38	11	3	132	2	69	1	3	4	75			3	67	40	92
39	Union Sp'gs, Trinity Ch.	25								2	28	7	21				1		27	39	4		31	1	11						1		29	5	3
40	Uniontown, Holy Cross.	45	2			2	20	3	3	24	67									40	7		27			2	5	7	10			2			
41	Wh stler, St Paul's	47									47									41	4		41												
42	Athens, St. Timothy	22				6					16								16	42	6	4	25											14	2
43	Auburn, Holy Innocents	30	3	4		7	14			14	37	18	19	11	26				37	43	4	2	28	2	22	1	1	2	1			2	28	6	10
44	Brierfield	16				4				1	13									44	6		35						7						
45	Bessemer, Trinity Ch.										28								28	45	3		13				1	1	2						
46	Clayton, Grace Church	19		2		2	5		1	6	23	7	16	14	9				23	46	4		18	1	9				11				11	11	5
47	Hayneville, St. Andrew's	20	1			1					19								19	47							2	2	12				12		
48	Martin's Sta., St. Luke's										15								15	48	6		13				1	1	4						
49	Mobile, Good Shepherd	32	1			1	12	8		20	51	17	34			51	3		48	49	12		103	1	9	7	30	37	54	2	4	14	60	47	52
50	Montevallo	8	1			1	2			2	9									50									2		1	1			
51	Opelika, Emanuel Ch	30		1		1	7	1	1	9	40								19	51	2		10			1	2	3	6		2				
52	Piedmont, Christ Ch.	11		1		1			1	1	11	5	6	9	2				11	52	4	1	30			2		2	7				13		3
53	Trinity Station, Grace	26					1	2		3	29						5		24	53	6	4	24	1	12								28	5	
54	Scattering	70		4																54								11							
		4985	73	202	6	331	429	90	229	793	5409	755	1289	792	179	90	127	9	2653		368	64	2813	62	1324	87	357	465	889	33	109	245	1262	400	387

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STATISTISTICAL AND FINANCIAL SUMMARY.

Number.	Locality and Parish.	Episcopal Acts.							Public Services.					Sources of Income.									
			Analysis.						Sundays		Week Days.												
		No. Confirmed.	Male.	Female.	Adults.	Minors.	From Other Bodies	Heads of Families	Church Services.	Sessions of S. S.	Holy Days, Lenten, Ember, Rogat'n, &c	Sessions of Parish Classes.	Ag. of Meet'g Worship & instr	Balance bro't over from Last Year	Pew Rents.		Sub-scriptions.	Com-munion Alms.	Offerings other than Communion Alms.	Guilds and Societies.	Gifts in Money.	Value of Other Gifts.	Sunday School Offerings.	All Other Sources
1	Anniston, Grace Church	25					14		218	51	175		444			1	3903 51	230 34	937 17	609 92	138 00		143 21	1880 64
2	" St. Michael's															2								
3	Birmingham, Advent	35								50			284			3	1926 92	114 75		854 80	245 00	9 00	127 65	332 50
4	" St. Mary's	15														4				0			0	
5	Bon Secour, St. Peter's															5								
6	Carlowville, St. Paul's								48		55		114			6	224 00	29 40	21 05	0			0	220 00
7	Dallas Co., Grace Ch	2	2		2			2	23	50	53		126			7	64 25	10 60	10 00					
8	Decatur, St. Paul's	18	5	13	18				42	44			86			8	600 00		102 10	0			9 11	
9	Demopolis, Trinity	11		1					52	52			104			9		30 23	74 16	0			58 57	
10	Eufaula, St. James'	9	3	6	4	5			107	52	116		275			10	804 30	20 00	359 44	37 00	70 00		102 55	143 25
11	Eutaw, St. Stephen's															11	300 00	17 00	11 00				0	
12	Evergreen, St. Mary's	4														12	200 00			0			0	89 28
13	Faunsdale, St. Michael's	10					5		28	30	50		108			13							0	
14	Florence, Trinity	5	3	2	3	2		2			70		70			14	244 70	41 46	54 00	60 00	7 50		14 58	
15	Forkland, St. John's															15							0	
16	Fork of Green, St. Mark's								6		3		9			16	170 00	20 45					0	
17	Gadsden, Holy Comfort'r	7	5	2	3	4	2	2	14			3	17			17	1024 05			200 95	210 00	2565 00	0	20 00
18	Greensboro, St. Paul's	13					1		88	44	148		280			18		85 90		0			302 16	1419 57
19	Greenville, St. Thomas'	23					9		52	52			104			19	407 20	30 00	35 00	0			25 00	515 00
20	Huntsville, Nativity	19					1		104	52	129		285		2079 20	20		128 47	339 71	844 37			386 33	726 50
21	Jacksonville, St. Luke's	3	1	2		3			23		44	15	82			21	200 00	20 00	27 81	119 00			13 86	100 00
22	Livingston, St. James'	3							18		26		44			22	325 00		50 00				0	
23	Lowndesboro, St. Paul's	1							12	12			24			23	150 00						0	15 00

24	Macon, St. Andrew's	1					1		8				8				24								0	
25	Marion, St. Wilfrid	19					3		73	45	118		231				25	400 00	35 84	27 32	310 47	39 25			28 66	439 25
26	Mobile, Christ Church	27	14	3	18	9	8	9	102	41	103	21	267	1103 72	5040 00		26	3138 40	471 89	839 51	3088 81	205 00	125 00		451 28	1730 00
27	" Trinity Church	15							100	52	110		262		1527 60		27	912 20	195 00	584 42	1262 30	65 00	500 00		186 65	55 20
28	" St. John's	56	31	25	29	27	28	22	210	52	95	21	358	997 97			28	1791 00	77 65	743 60	1327 70	452 21	128 00		565 00	15 00
29	Montgomery, St. John's	20							156	52	180		338		3826 00		29	500 00	460 00	300 00	1141 00	600 00			348 00	400 00
30	" Holy Comforter								97		130		227				30	624 50	48 85	395 63	61 55				218 75	52 60
31	Prattville, St. Mark's								2				12				31									
32	Selma, St. Paul's	32	11	21	24	8		10	94	52	56	52	254				32	4176 49			195 00		5000 00		326 83	
33	Sheffield, Grace Church	8	4	4	8		4	6									33	1000 00	142 43		300 00				41 75	
34	Scottsboro, St. Luke's	3	1	2	2	1	3		16	52			68				34	87 50	5 00	15 00					5 00	
35	Talladega, St. Peter's	10	6	4	7	3	2	3	98	49	104		251				35	580 62			62 82	191 43	43 50		25 40	
36	Troy, St. Mark's	2							18	35	16		69				36	62 00		22 50	0				0	
37	Tuscumbia, St. John's	2		2			1										37	500 00	88 57	27 40	0	66 45			10 00	
38	Tuskaloosa, Christ Ch	17	7	10	2	15		1	154	52	100	10	368				38	1937 27	57 50	38 10	50 00				220 20	
39	Union Sp'gs, Trinity Ch.	4						3	32	33	10		75				39	112 50	1 25	18 00	0	5 00			0	
40	Uniontown, Holy Cross.	20						2	28	30	55		113				40								0	
41	Whistler, St. Paul's																41								0	
42	Athens, St. Timothy								14	52			66				42	47 50	2 50	12 50					0	
43	Auburn, Holy Innocents	14	13	1		14	2		44	25	27	8	104				43	205 50		62 74	50 96	34 00	45 00		6 37	15 25
44	Brierfield	1							24	30	1		55				44								0	
45	Bessemer, Trinity Ch								46	22	4		72				45	1007 31		58 65		8 00	200 00		6 00	46 00
46	Clayton, Grace Church	5	1	4			1	1		52	30		82				46		4 10		36 86	115 00	10 00		5 00	110 00
47	Hayneville, St. Andrew's																47	150 00								15 00
48	Martin's Sta., St. Luke's								4				4				48	40 00	20 00		8 00	12 00			0	10 00
49	Mobile, Good Shepherd.	12							97		181		278	96 55			49	49 25		118 70	0		365 00		0	
50	Montevallo	2					1	1	20		1		21				50									
51	Opelika, Emanuel Ch	7	1	6	2	5	2		26		7		33				51	140 00	21 05	22 35	32 85	200 80	12 75		4 00	9 00
52	Piedmont, Christ Ch								20		6		26				52	51 00	4 05	4 30	0				2 45	
53	Trinity Sta., Grace Ch.	1					1		28	52	5		85				53	144 46		9 15	44 80	1 00	10 00		5 32	
54	Scattering	1					5	7									54									
		483	108	118	122	96	94	71					5183	2198 24	12472 80			28199 43	2414 28	5299 40	10707 [illegible]	[illegible] 64	9012 25		3339 63	8359 04

FINANCIAL SUMMARY.—Continued.

Number.	Locality and Parish.	Total of Income.	Expended for Gen'l Objects. Domestic and Foreign Missions	Jewish Missions.	Other General Objects.	Total Expended for General Objects.	Expended for Diocesan Objects. Diocesan Assessment.	Diocesan Missions.	Church Home.	University of the South.	Disabled Clergy and Widows and Orphans.	Other Diocesan Objects.	Total Diocesan.	Number.	Parochial Expenditures. Rector's Salary.	Current Expenses.	Repairs and Improvements.	Expended for the Poor.
1	Anniston, Grace Church	7842 79	40 00	9 85	150 35	200 20	150 00	500 00	36 00	20 00	23 70	.....	729 70	1	1841 65	930 69	631 45	195 10
2	" St. Michael's	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	.....	.....	.....	.....
3	Birmingham, Advent	3620 57	35 93	23 50	.....	59 43	250 00	252 90	36 30	6 00	32 78	22 50	600 48	3	2000 00	644 22	79 61	212 75
4	" St. Mary's	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	4	.....	.....	.....	.....
5	Bon Secour, St. Peter's	60 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	10 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	10 00	5	.....	.....	.....	.....
6	Carlowville, St. Paul's	494 45	.....	.....	5 00	5 00	25 00	160 40	.....	.....	8 25	10 00	203 65	6	224 00	.....	503 00	.....
7	Dallas Co., Grace	84 85	.....	.....	.....	.....	10 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	10 00	7	64 25	.....	.....	.....
8	Decatur, St. Paul's	711 21	9 40	.....	.....	9 40	50 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	50 00	8	600 00	.....	14 15	.....
9	Demopolis, Trinity	192 96	35 14	4 15	.....	39 59	100 00	42 83	14 20	20 20	16 40	.....	193 63	9	.....	73 55	.....	.....
10	Eufaula, St. James'	1536 54	.....	3 30	7 70	11 00	50 00	20 00	5 50	.....	10 00	.....	85 50	10	804 30	67 95	24 33	15 00
11	Eutaw, St. Stephen's	328 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	50 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	50 00	11	150 00	.....	.....	.....
12	Evergreen, St. Mary's	289 28	8 00	.....	.....	8 00	15 00	8 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	23 00	12	200 00	7 90	22 65	.....
13	Faunsdale, St. Michael's	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	55 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	55 00	13	300 00	.....	1100 00	.....
14	Florence, Trinity	422 28	23 30	8 90	1 30	33 50	25 00	30 75	.....	.....	2 00	.....	57 75	14	244 70	54 09	73 03	.....
15	Forkland, St. Johns	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	15	.....	.....	.....	.....
16	Fork of Green, St. Mark's	190 45	.....	.....	.....	.....	20 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	20 00	16	65 00	.....	.....	.....
17	Gadsden, Holy Comforter	4020 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	17	109 35	11 50	.....	.....
18	Greensboro, St. Paul's	1807 63	35 00	7 20	35 00	77 20	150 00	333 68	.....	20 00	7 00	50 00	560 68	18	1050 00	36 75	83 00	.....
19	Greenville, St. Thomas'	548 70	8 00	2 00	.....	10 00	30 00	21 50	15 00	.....	.....	.....	66 50	19	407 20	10 00	.....	10 00
20	Huntsville, Nativity	4504 58	63 20	13 30	81 80	158 30	300 00	308 00	.....	16 45	27 46	.....	651 91	20	1800 00	865 09	279 50	128 47
21	Jacksonville, St. Luke's	480 67	12 30	2 10	1 46	15 86	20 00	48 07	.....	.....	.....	.....	68 07	21	245 54	15 00	65 00	.....
22	Livingston, St. James'	375 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	25 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	25 00	22	132 15	.....	186 00	.....
23	Lowndesboro, St. Paul's	165 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	15 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	15 00	23	150 00	.....	.....	.....

24	Macon, St. Andrew's	237 45						20 00	35 45		4 00	5 00		64 45	24	140 00	33 00		
25	Marion, St. Wilfrid's	1241 54	6 50	2 20		8 70	45 00	13 00						58 00	25	1000 00	45 00	120 00	8 43
26	Mobile, Christ Church	16193 81	115 22	22 63		137 85	600 00	296 80	680 05	18 30			50 00	1645 15	26	2750 00	1795 10	6452 89	765 40
27	" Trinity Church	5288 37	70 00	14 10		84 10	300 00	243 30	200 00	10 00	15 00			768 30	27	1466 69	711 00	245 78	326 05
28	" St. John's	6098 13					150 00	60 00	315 00		15 00			540 00	28	1500 00	480 42	745 55	180 95
29	Montgomery, St. John's	7575 00	170 00			170 00	650 00	623 00		32 00				1305 00	29	2500 00	2000 00	1140 00	260 00
30	" Holy Comforter.	1401 88		2 70	5 00	7 70	25 00	52 60						77 60	30	675 00	249 36	106 20	48 85
31	Prattville, St. Mark's						10 00							10 00	31	77 00	3 00	120 00	
32	Selma, St. Paul's	9696 32					350 00	252 35						602 35	32	2454 64	726 32	296 38	92 00
33	Sheffield, Grace Church	1484 18	41 75			41 75	25 00							25 00	33	443 84	100 00	100 00	
34	Scottsboro, St. Luke's	112 50					15 00							15 00	34	87 50			
35	Talladega, St. Peter's	903 77	4 41	3 00		7 41	25 00	7 55						32 55	35	449 09	129 13	255 10	
36	Troy, St. Mark's	88 50					10 00							10 00	36	88 00			
37	Tuscumbia, St. John's	692 42	10 00			10 00	15 00	66 45						81 45	37	500 00	60 00		
38	Tuskaloosa, Christ Church.	2303 02					150 00	300 00	7 00					457 00	38	1500 00	200 00	50 00	65 05
39	Union Springs, Trinity Ch.	136 75					15 00							15 00	39	112 50			
40	Uniontown, Holy Cross						55 00							55 00	40	450 00		700 00	
41	Whistler, St. Paul's														41				
42	Athens, St. Timothy	62 50					15 00							15 00	42	47 50			
43	Auburn, Holy Innocents	419 82	2 31	1 75		4 06	15 00	20 80						35 80	43	219 50	22 62		
44	Brierfield														44				
45	Bessemer, Trinity	1325 96													45	109 50			
46	Clayton, Grace	280 96					10 00							10 00	46		14 00	138 32	
47	Hayneville, St. Andrew's	165 00					15 00							15 00	47	150 00			
48	Martin's Station, St. Luke's	90 00													48	40 00	20 00	18 00	
49	Mobile, Good Shepherd	629 50	9 00			9 00	25 00							25 00	49			160 00	
50	Montevallo														50				
51	Opelika, Emanuel Church.	442 80					10 00	12 75						22 75	51	140 00	6 50	185 00	
52	Piedmont, Christ Church	61 80	2 45			2 45	10 00							10 00	52	42 79			
53	Trinity Station, Grace	213 73					10 00	33 00						43 00	53	67 50	10 00	44 80	25 00
		84890 67	702 21	120 68	282 61	1110 50	3920 00	3243 18	1309 05	146 95	162 59	132 50	9404 27			27399 19	9272 19	13939 69	2283 05

FINANCIAL SUMMARY.—Continued.

	Locality and Parish.	Parochial Expenditures. Expended for the Sunday School.	Traveling Expenses, etc., Repaid.	Missionary Work in Parish.	Purchases for Church or Rectory.	Value of Gifts.	Passed to Credit of Endowment or Trust Funds.	Expended for New Buildings Etc.	All Other Objects.	Cash on Hand.	Total of Parochial Expendit's.	Payments on Debt or Arrearages.		Restatement of Totals. Total General.	Total Diocesan.	Total Parochial.	Debt Paid.	Grand Aggregate of Expenditures, to Balance Income.
1	Anniston, Grace Church.	174 00	.....	1150 00	190 00	.....	.....	.....	1800 00	.....	6912 89	.....	1	200 20	729 70	6912 89	.....	7842 79
2	" St. Michael's.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
3	Birmingham, Advent.	101 30	.....	.....	.....	254 00	.....	.....	.....	32 56	2950 72	.....	3	59 43	600 48	2950 72	.....	3610 67
4	" St. Mary's.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	4	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
5	Bon Secour, St. Peter's.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	50 00	.....	5	.....	10 00	50 00	.....	60 00
6	Carlowville, St. Paul's.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	26 33	763 33	.....	6	5 00	203 65	763 33	.....	971 98
7	Dallas Co., Grace Church.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	10 60	84 85	.....	7	.....	10 00	84 85	.....	94 85
8	Decatur, St. Paul's.	9 11	10 35	.....	18 20	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	651 81	.....	8	9 40	50 00	651 81	.....	711 21
9	Demopolis, Trinity.	58 67	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	132 22	.....	9	39 59	193 63	132 22	.....	365 44
10	Eufaula, St. James'.	13 47	.....	.....	.....	.....	126 35	259 15	83 84	.....	1394 39	45 65	10	11 00	85 50	1394 39	45 65	1536 54
11	Eutaw, St. Stephen's.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	150 00	.....	11	.....	50 00	150 00	.....	200 00
12	Evergreen, St. Mary's.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	261 55	.....	12	8 00	23 00	261 55	.....	292 55
13	Faunsdale, St. Michael's.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1400 00	.....	13	.....	55 00	1400 00	.....	1455 00
14	Florence, Trinity.	.....	.....	.....	58 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	429 82	.....	14	33 50	57 75	429 82	.....	521 07
15	Forkland, St. John's.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	15	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
16	Fork of Green, St. Mark's	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	65 00	.....	16	.....	20 00	65 00	.....	85 00
17	Gadsden, Holy Comforter	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3897 00	.....	2 20	4020 05	.....	17	.....	.....	4020 05	.....	4020 05
18	Greensboro, St. Paul's.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1169 75	.....	18	77 20	560 68	1169 75	.....	1807 63
19	Greenville, St. Thomas'.	45 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	548 70	.....	19	10 00	66 50	548 70	.....	625 20
20	Huntsville, Nativity.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	294 44	326 87	4504 58	.....	20	158 30	651 91	4504 58	.....	5314 79
21	Jacksonville, St. Luke's.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	71 20	396 74	.....	21	15 86	68 07	396 74	.....	480 67
22	Livingston, St. James'.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	318 15	17 85	22	.....	25 00	318 15	17 85	361 00
23	Lowndesboro, St. Paul's.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	150 00	.....	23	.....	15 00	150 00	.....	165 00

25	Marion, St. Wilfrid	22 10			8 00						20 82	1224 35		25	8 70	58 00	1224 35		1291 00
26	Mobile, Christ Church	521 28		10 00	291 05	125 00	929 38				620 71	14260 81	150 00	26	137 85	1645 15	14260 81	150 00	16193 81
27	" Trinity Church	58 50	210 00			500 00	865 20			23 15	29 65	4435 97		27	84 10	768 30	4435 97		5288 37
28	" St. John's	565 00	50 00		178 85	128 00	377 21			144 15	730 93	4980 76		28		540 00	4980 76	577 87	6098 13
29	Montgomery, St. John's	200 00										6100 00		29	170 00	1305 00	6100 00		7575 00
30	" Holy Comforter											1079 41		30	7 70	77 60	1079 41		1164 71
31	Prattville, St. Mark's											200 00		31		10 00	200 00		210 00
32	Selma, St. Paul's	326 83				5000 00		1 95			2 80	9093 97		32		602 35	9093 97		9696 32
33	Sheffield, Grace Church	25 00										668 84		33	41 75	25 00	668 84		735 59
34	Scottsboro, St. Luke's	10 00										97 50		34		15 00	97 50		112 50
35	Talladega, St. Peter's	8 30									86 99	948 61		35	7 41	32 55	948 61		988 57
36	Troy, St. Mark's											88 00		36		10 00	88 00		98 00
37	Tuscumbia, St. John's											560 00		37	10 00	81 45	560 00		651 45
38	Tuskaloosa, Christ Ch.	30 00										1846 05		38		457 00	1846 05		2303 07
39	Union Spr'gs, Trinity Ch.					5 00						117 50		39		15 00	117 50		132 50
40	Uniontown, Holy Cross											1150 00		40		55 00	1150 00		1205 00
41	Whistler, St. Paul's													41					
42	Athens, St. Timothy											47 50		42		15 00	47 50		62 50
43	Auburn, Holy Innocents	1 75			28 00	45 00					4 16	379 96		43	4 06	35 80	379 96		419 82
44	Brierfield													44					
45	Bessemer, Trinity Church	3 00			32 00			939 01			142 45	1325 96		45			1325 96		1325 96
46	Clayton, Grace Church	5 00	12 50			10 00	84 06					263 86	7 08	46		10 00	263 86	7 08	280 96
47	Hayneville, St. Andrew's											150 00		47		15 00	150 00		165 00
48	Martin's Sta., St. Luke's	5 00	14 50									97 50		48			97 50		97 50
49	Mobile, Good Shepherd				33 75	365 00	15 50				45 25	629 50		49	9 00	25 00	629 50		663 50
50	Montevallo													50					
51	Opelika, Emanuel Ch	4 00	29 10									364 10		51		22 75	364 10		386 85
52	Piedmont, Christ Church		6 56									49 35		52	2 45	10 00	49 35		61 80
53	Trinity Sta., Grace Ch.	13 43				10 00						170 73		53		43 00	170 73		213 73
		2200 74	333 01	1160 00	837 55	6442 00	2397 70	5290 16	2345 58		2153 62	76857 78	220 58		1110 50	9404 27	76857 78	797 95	88180 58

FINANCIAL SUMMARY.—Continued.

Number.	Locality and Parish.	Present Condition. Mortgage Debt.	Floating Debt.	Salaries, Assessments, etc., Parochial and Diocesan, Unpaid and Due.	Cash in Treasury	Funds Held by Guilds and Societies.	Special Funds Held in Trust.	Assets Due and Not Collected.	Amount of Insurance on Property.	Valuation of Church Property. Church Buildings.	Rectories.	Chapels, Parish and Chapter Houses, School Houses and Other Buildings.	Other Real Property.	Furniture, Organs, Libraries Furnaces, Chimes, etc.	Aggregate of Invested Capital.
1	Anniston, Grace Church						5060 22			35000 00	10000 00	28000 00	35000 00		108000 00
2	" St. Michael's														35000 00
3	Birmingham, Advent					1943 04			3000 00	2500 00	1800 00		30400 00	1125 00	35825 00
4	" St. Mary's														
5	Bon Secour, St. Peter's														500 00
6	Carlowville, St. Paul's														
7	Dallas County, Grace Church														
8	Decatur, St. Paul's														
9	Demopolis, Trinity														10000 00
10	Eufaula, St. James'			195 70			126 35	248 95	4200 00	2600 00	3500 00		2200 00	300 00	8600 00
11	Eutaw, St. Stephen's														
12	Evergreen, St. Mary's														1500 00
13	Faunsdale, St. Michael's														
14	Florence, Trinity									3000 00	4000 00				7000 00
15	Forkland, St. John's														
16	Fork of Green, St. Mark's														
17	Gadsden, Holy Comforter								1000 00	2500 00			2500 00		5000 00
18	Greensboro, St. Paul's														15000 00
19	Greenville, St. Thomas'						1717 00								5000 00
20	Huntsville, Nativity				326 87	256 47	1500 00	294 44							33000 00
21	Jacksonville, St. Luke's														2500 00
22	Livingston, St. James'														1500 00
23	Lowndesboro, St. Paul's														

26	Mobile, Christ Church		1300 00		469 41	372 27	675 61	500 00	24000 00	45000 00	5000 00	10000 00	2000 00	10000 00	72000 00
27	" Trinity Church		195 50	158 84	29 65	640 00	225 20	180 95	9000 00	20000 00				5000 00	25000 00
28	" St. John's				209 25	875 78	857 21		6750 00	6000 00	4000 00			2000 00	12000 00
29	Montgomery, St. John's														50000 00
30	" Holy Comforter									2700 00					2700 00
31	Prattville, St. Mark's									800 00				30 00	830 00
32	Selma, St. Paul's				2 80				12000 00	25000 00	3000 00		5000 00	5000 00	38000 00
33	Sheffield, Grace Church	1000 00	450 00	243 00				700 00		2000 00			3000 00	50 00	5050 00
34	Scottsboro, St. Luke's														
35	Talladega, St. Peter's					86 99			1000 00	3000 00				500 00	3500 00
36	Troy, St. Mark's			106 00						600 00				100 00	700 00
37	Tuscumbia, St. John's														
38	Tuskaloosa, Christ Church		200 00					260 00		15000 00	10000 00			1000 00	26000 00
39	Union Springs, Trinity Church														1000 00
40	Uniontown, Holy Cross														
41	Whistler, St. Paul's														1000 00
42	Athens, St. Timothy														
43	Auburn, Holy Innocents				28 77	30 16				1700 00				75 00	1775 00
44	Brierfield														
45	Bessemer, Trinity Church				142 45			85 00	750 00	950 00			1000 00	75 00	2025 00
46	Clayton, Grace Church						84 06			1500 00					1500 00
47	Hayneville, St. Andrew's														1500 00
48	Martin's Station, St. Luke's									800 00				200 00	1000 00
49	Mobile, Good Shepherd														12000 00
50	Montevallo									800 00				75 00	875 00
51	Opelika, Emanuel Church														
52	Piedmont, Christ Church														1500 00
53	Trinity Station, Grace Church														
		1000 00	2145 50	703 04	1209 20	4225 03	9745 65	2269 34	61700 00	173950 00	44300 00	38000 00	82150 00	27277 00	536671 00

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Rev. WM. T. ALLEN, Churches at Piedmont, Gadsden and Jacksonville.....Jacksonville.
" J. M. BANISTER, D. D., Church of the Nativity ....Huntsville.
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LIST OF CLERGY

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" C. E. WALLER.

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" WALTER C. WHITAKER, (Deacon.)
" JOSEPH FRANCIS JOHN, (Deacon.)
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LOUIS TUCKER.

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" REBECCA	"	"	"
" ELIZABETH	"	"	"
" SARAH	"	"	"
" BELLE	"	"	"
" MARY	"	"	"
" MARY	"	"	"

Examiners.

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Birmingham—Church of the Advent	"	T. J. Beard.
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Coalburg—Mission	"	T. J. Beard.
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Dallas County—Grace Church	"	F. B. Lee.
" —St. Luke's	"	R. J. Walker.
Decatur—St. Paul's	"	J. C. Johnes, (Deacon.)
Demopolis—Trinity	"	Jno. A. Harrison, D. D.
Eufaula—St. James'	"	E. W. Spalding, D. D.
Eutaw—St. Stephens'	"	W. R. Dye.
Evergreen—St. Mary's	"	Geo. R. Upton.
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Gadsden————	"	Wm. T. Allen.
Gallion—St. Andrew's	"	R. H. Cobbs, D. D.
Gainesville—St. Alban's	Vacant	
Greensboro—St. Paul's	Rev.	R. H. Cobbs, D. D.
Greenville—St. Thomas'	"	Geo. R. Upton.
Haynesville—St. Andrew's	"	Geo. R. Upton.
Huntsville—The Nativity	"	J. M. Banister, D. D.
Jacksonville—St. Luke's	"	Wm. T. Allen.
Lowndesboro—St. Paul's	"	Geo. R. Upton.
Livingston—St. James'	"	W. R. Dye.
Marion—St. Wilfrid's	"	R. J. Walker.
Montevallo————	"	J. F. Smith.
Montgomery—St. John's	"	H. Stringfellow, D. D.
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" —Trinity..... " J. L. Lancaster.
" —St. John's..... " G. C. Tucker.
" —Good Shepherd..... " A. W. Pierce.
Nottingham
Opelika—Emanuel.....Rev. Geo. M. Evarhart, D. D.
Piedmont—Christ Church..... " Wm. T. Allen,
Pushmataha—Calvary.....Vacant.
Selma—St. Paul's.....Rev. R. W. Barnwell.
Scottsboro—St. Luke's..... " J. C. Johnes, (Deacon.)
Spring Hill—St. Paul's.....The Bishop.
Sheffield—Grace Church.....Rev. DeB. Waddell.
Talladega—St. Peter's..... " J. F. Smith.
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Union Springs—Trinity.....Vacant.
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Convocation of Mobile—Rev. J. L. TUCKER, D. D., Dean. This convocation embraces the counties of Mobile and Baldwin.

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Convocation of Birmingham—Rev. T. J. BEARD, D. D., Dean, embracing the counties of Jefferson, Tuskaloosa, Sumter, part of Greene, St. Clair, Shelby, Bibb, Talladega and Calhoun.

Convocation of Huntsville—Rev. J. M. BANISTER, D. D., Dean, embracing counties of Madison, Jackson, Limestone, Morgan, Lawrence, Franklin and Lauderdale.

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FIRST DAY.

The Fifty-ninth Annual Council of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Alabama, assembled in St. John's Church, Montgomery, May 20, 1890.

Morning prayer was said at 9 A. M., followed by the Communion Service at 11 o'clock; the sermon being preached by the Rev. E. W. SPALDING, D. D., from the text, Psalm xlviii. 7:

"As we have heard, so have we seen in the city of the Lord of hosts, in the city of our God: God will establish it forever."

The Holy Communion was celebrated by the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of the Diocese, assisted by the Rev. Dr. STRINGFELLOW, the Rector of the Parish.

Immediately after service, the Council was called to order by the Rt. Rev. President, who presented the following

List of Clergy entitled to Seats in the Diocesan Council of 1890:

RT. REV. RICH'D H. WILMER, D. D.

Rev. W. T. Allen,
" R. W. Barnwell,
" T. J. Beard,
" R. H. Cobbs, D. D.,
" Benj. Dennis,
" Geo. M. Everhart, D. D.,
" J. J. Harris,
" D. F. Hoke,
" Jos. F. Johns.
" J. L. Lancaster,
" B. F. Mower,
" A. W. Pierce,
" E. W. Spalding, D. D.,
" W. A. Stickney,
" Jas. H. Stringfellow,
" G. C. Tucker,
" J. A. VanHoose,
" R. J. Walker,

Rev. J. M. Banister, D. D.,
" Thos. Burry,
" C. E. Cabiness,
" Thos. A. Cook,
" W. R. Dye,
" P. A. Fitts,
" John A. Harrison, D. D.,
" J. C. Johnes,
" Percy W. Jones.
" F. B. Lee,
" Vardry McBee,
" L. W. Rose,
" J. F. Smith,
" H. Stringfellow, D. D.,
" J. L. Tucker, D. D.,
" Geo. R. Upton,
" DeB. Waddell,
" W. C. Whittaker.

The Secretary of the last Council called the list thus presented, and the following were found to be present:

RT. REV. RICH'D H. WILMER, D. D., LL. D.,

Rev. W. T. Allen,
" R. W. Barnwell,
" R. H. Cobbs, D. D.,
" P. A. Fitts,
" Jos. F. Johns,
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" J. L. Lancaster,
" B. F. Mower,
" E. W. Spalding, D. D.,
" H. Stringfellow, D. D,
" G. C. Tucker,
" W. C. Whittaker.

The Treasurer of the Diocese, as required by Canon, presented the following

List of Parishes Entitled to Representation in this Council:

St. John's Church, Montgomery,
St. Paul's Church, Selma,
Trinity Church, Mobile,
St. Mary's Church, Birmingham,
Grace Church, Anniston,
St. Paul's Church, Greensboro,
Ch. of the Holy Cross, Uniontown,
St. Stephen's Church, Eutaw,
St. Michael's Church, Faunsdale,
St. Andrew's Church, Gallion,
Good Shepherd, Mobile,
Brierfield Mission
Trinity Church, Florence,
St. Mark's Church, Fork of Green,
Grace Church, Clayton,
St. John's Church, Tuscumbia,
St. Mary's Church, Evergreen,
St. Paul's Church, Carlowville,
Grace Church, Tilden,
St. Paul's Church, Spring Hill,
St. Mark's Church, Prattville,
Emmanuel Church, Opelika,
St. Paul's Church, Whistler,
Avondale Mission,
Christ Church, Mobile,
Church of the Nativity, Huntsville,
Church of the Advent, Birmingham,
Christ Church, Tuskaloosa,
St. John's Church, Mobile,
Trinity Church, Demopolis,
St. James' Church, Eufaula,
St. Paul's Church, Decatur,
St. Thomas' Church, Greenville,
St. Luke's Church, Martin's Station,
Ch. of the Holy Comforter, Montg'y,
Ch. of the Holy Innocents, Auburn,
St. Peter's Church, Talladega,
St. Luke's Church, Jacksonville,
St. Andrew's Church, Hayneville,
St. Luke's Church, Scottsboro,
St. Paul's Church, Lowndesboro,
Christ Church, Piedmont,
Montevallo Mission,
St. John's Church, Forkland,
Trinity Church, Union Springs,
Bessemer Mission,
St. Peter's Church, Bon Secour,
Ironaton Mission.

The list of Parishes so entitled was called, and credentials of Lay Deputies were presented and referred to a Committee con-

sisting of Rev. T. J. BEARD, Rev. G. C. TUCKER and Rev. GEO. R. UPTON. This Committee reported the following Lay Deputies entitled to sests:

Grace Church, Anniston—F. M. Hight, L. W. Hammond, J. H. Cobbs, R. P. Huger. B. G. Chisolm.

Church of the Advent, Birmingham—R H. Pearson, Robt. Jemison, C. A. Garland, Thos. Cobbs, W. J. Milner.

St. Mary's Church, Birmingham—Robt. Chisolm, John McQueen, John White, A. M. Burbank, G. H. Ellerbe.

St. Paul's Church, Carlowville—J. H. Alison, H. M. Smith, J. D. Alison, Abner Perin, S. A. Reynolds.

Trinity Church, Demopolis—J. R. Robertson, E. H. C. Bailey, James T. Jones, N. G. Winn.

St. James' Church, Eufaula—H. R. Shorter, H. D. Clayton, Dozier Thornton, T. W. Tony, W. H. Bray.

St. Mary's Church, Evergreen—P. D. Bowles. C. B. Savage, N. Stallworth.

St. Paul's Church, Greensboro—A. S. Jeffries, E. L. Stickney, C. E. Waller, R. H. Stickney, H. G. Benner.

St. Thomas' Church, Greenville—D. G. Dunklin, E. Crenshaw, F. Stollenwerck.

Church of the Nativity, Huntsville—P. M. Dox, Wm. Clay, Oliver Patton, Irvine White.

St. Luke's Church, Jacksonville—P. Rowan, W. H. Dean.

St. Andrew's Church, Macon—R. H. Dugger, C. A. Smith, W. W. Dugger, Chas. Hause, J. W. Bledsoe.

Trinity Church, Mobile—H. T. Toulmin, F. J. McCoy, L. A. George, Ben Vincent, Rich'd Hines.

St. John's Church, Mobile—O. J. Semmes, Price Williams, Jr., W. J. McCowin, Emmanuel Jones.

St. John's Church, Montgomery—Joel White, R. F. Michel, W. W. Screws, H. C. Tompkins, B. J. Baldwin.

Church of the Holy Comforter, Montgomery—J. L. Cobbs, T. G. Foster, J. B. Trimble, N. H. Holmes, John G. Winter.

St. Paul's Church, Selma—G. A. Wilkins, Fleming Tinsley, R. M. Nelson, E. P. Galt, E. P. Gregory.

St. Peter's Church, Talladega—R. Nickles, F. A. Gerrish, J. L. Laverty, J. R. Graves.

Trinity Church, Union Springs—D. F. McCall, R. L. Hobby, John Haskey.

Brierfield Mission—E. T. Peters.

Their names being called, the following were found to be present:

Messrs. J. H. Cobbs, J. H. Alison, J. D. Alison, S. A. Reynolds, J. R.

Robertson, Jas. T. Jones, Dozier Thornton, D. G. Dunklin, H. T. Toulmin, Joel White, R. F. Michel, W. W. Screws, B. J. Baldwin, Jno. L. Cobbs, T. Gardner Foster, J. B. Trimble, N. H. Holmes, Fleming Finsley, E. P. Gregory. D. F. McCall.

A quorum being present, the Council was declared to be duly organized, and the Rev. R. H. COBBS, D. D., was nominated and elected Secretary.

On motion, the Rules of Order of the last Council were adopted for the government of this Council.

On motion, it was

Resolved, That the sessions of this Council continue daily from 9 A. M. to 2 P. M.

On motion, the Council adjourned till 9 A. M. Wednesday.

SECOND DAY.

MONTGOMERY, ALA., May 21, 1890.

The Council met pursuant to adjournment. After prayers were said, the roll was called and a quorum found to be present, and the minutes of yesterday's session were read and approved.

The Rev. L. W. ROSE, Rev. W. A. STICKNEY, Rev. DEB. WADDELL, Rev. GEO. M. EVERHART, D. D., Rev. J. H. STRINGFELLOW, and Messrs. C. E. WALLER, H. G. BENNERS, B. G. CHISOLM, C. A. GARLAND, THOS. COBBS, ROBT. CHISOLM, JOHN WHITE, A. M. BURBANK, H. R. SHORTER, E. CRENSHAW, W. W. DUGGER, R M. NELSON, L. W. HAMMOND, G. A. WILKINS, appeared and took their seats.

Grace Church, Sheffield, was declared entitled to representation, and certificates of election of Lay Deputies were presented from that Parish, and from St. Michael's Church, Faunsdale, St. John's Church, Forkland: Christ Church, Mobile; Christ Church, Tuskaloosa; Church of the Holy Cross, Uniontown; and were declared to be in due form, and the following Deputies entitled to seats:

Grace Church, Sheffield—R. C. Randolph, W. H. Ruffin, W. H. Jones.

St. Michael's Church, Faunsdale—J. H. Minge, A. J. Bethea, Samuel Bethea, Chas. D. Walker, Norfleet Harris.

St. John's Church, Forkland—W. N. Glover, J. S. Brasfield, W. A. Glover, J. P. Rogers.

Christ Church, Mobile—W. H. Ross, R. S. Bunker, F. S. Parker, T. S. Fry, G. H. Dunlap, Jr.

Christ Church, Tuskaloosa—J. H. Fitts, Alonzo Hill, P. Bryce, E. N. C. Snow, H. A. Jones.

Church of the Holy Cross, Uniontown—Edwin Shield, W. J. Vaiden, B. Hargrove, John M. Langhorne, J. B. Christian.

Their names being called, Messrs. R. C. RANDOLPH, J. H. MINGE, A. J. BETHEA, CHAS. D. WALKER, W. H. ROSS, T. S. FRY, J. H. FITTS, ALONZO HILL, W. J. VAIDEN and J. B. CHRISTIAN, appeared and took their seats.

Two applications for the admission of Parishes into union with the Diocese were presented, and on motion, were referred to a Committee consisting of Rev. T. J. BEARD, Rev. R. W. BARNWELL, Messrs. E. CRENSHAW, W. W. DUGGER.

The following report was presented and read, and on motion, was received:

OFFICIAL ACTS OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE.

1889—July 1—The Committee organized by the election of the Rev. J. L. Tucker, D. D., President, and Mr. F. B. Clark, Jr., Chancellor of the Diocese, Secretary.

November 19—Mr. N. D. Van Syckel, A. M., was recommended to the Bishop for admission as a candidate for Orders, to date from August 12th. The Committee gave their consent to the sale of lands belonging to the Parish in Florence; and advised the reservation from sale of the church building, and the use of its materials in the construction of a new church

1890—January 4—Mr. John B. Reese was recommended to the Bishop for admission as a candidate, his time to date from December 10th.

March 21—Messrs. Joseph F. John and Percy W. Jones, who were received as candidates in 1889, were recommended to the Bishop for ordination to the Diaconate.

May 6—The consent of the Diocese of Alabama was given to the Consecration of the Rev. Dr. Wm. F. Nickols, as Assistant Bishop of California.

J. L. TUCKER, *President.*

The following Standing Committees were announced by the President:

Committee on the State of the Church—Rev. J. F. Smith, Rev. F. B. Lee, Rev. Jno. A. Harrison, D. D., Rev. DeB. Waddell, Messrs. Alonzo Hill, T. G. Foster, R. F. Michel.

Committee on Canons—Rev. J. M. Banister, D. D., Rev. H. Stringfellow, D. D., Rev. E. W. Spalding, D. D., Rev. P. A. Fitts, and Messrs. H. T. Toulmin, Jas. T. Jones, H. C. Tompkins, Thos. Cobbs.

Committee on Finance—R. M. Nelson, J. R. Robertson, D. G. Dunklin,

B. J. Baldwin, J. L. Cobbs, W. H. Ross, J. H. Fitts, J. H. Minge, G. A. Wilkins.

Committee on Parochial Reports—Rev. J. L. Tucker, D. D., Rev. Joseph F. Johns, and Messrs. Dozier Thornton, J. D. Alison.

Committee on Unfinished Business—Rev. R. H. Cobbs, D. D., Mr. D. F. McCall.

The Bishop of the Diocese then read his Annual Address (see Appendix), the statistical portion of which was, on motion, referred to the Committee on Parochial Reports.

The portion which related to Hamner Hall was, on motion, referred to a Special Committee consisting of Rev. H. STRINGFELLOW, D. D., Rev. R. W. BARNWELL, Rev. R. H. COBBS, D. D., Messrs. W. W. SCREWS and D. F. MCCALL.

The President, at this point, called the Rev. Dr. TUCKER to the chair and withdrew from the Council.

On motion, the reading of the Parochial reports was dispensed with, and the same were presented and referred to the Committee on Parochial Reports.

The Council then voted by ballot for the Standing Committee of the Diocese, Rev. G. C. TUCKER and Mr. J. H. COBBS being appointed Tellers, and the balloting resulted in the election of Rev. J. L. TUCKER, D. D., Rev. G. C. TUCKER, Rev. H. STRINGFELLOW, D. D., Messrs. H. T. TOULMIN, F. B. CLARK, Jr., R. S. Bunker.

On motion, it was

Resolved, That it is hereby recommended that one offering be taken up in each church in this Diocese annually for the sustentation of the Theological Department of the University of the South, at Sewanee.

The reports of the Registrar of the Diocese, and the Treasurer of the University of the South for Alabama, were presented and received, and ordered to be printed in the Appendix to the Journal.

The selection of place and day for the session of the next Council, was made the order of the day for Thursday at 10 o'clock.

On motion, Messrs. DANIEL COLEMAN, J. W. NOBLE, C. E. WALLER, W. W. SCREWS and H. T. TOULMIN were elected lay members of the Board of Missions.

Mr. GEO. A. WILKINS was nominated and elected Treasurer of the Diocese of Alabama.

Mr. C. E. WALLER was nominated and elected Treasurer of the Diocesan Missionary Fund.

Dr. B. J. BALDWIN was nominated and elected Registrar of the Diocese, Mr. T. GARDNER FOSTER declining to be re-elected.

Mr. F. B. CLARK, Jr., was nominated and elected Chancellor of the Diocese of Alabama.

The Secretary was instructed to cast one ballot for the Trustees and Treasurer of the Bishop's Fund, and the balloting resulted in the election of Messrs. N. H. R. DAWSON, J. H. FITTS, H. C. TOMPKINS; Mr. DAWSON being designated as Treasurer.

Rev. J. A. VANHOOSE, Messrs. J. W. NOBLE, and W. W. SCREWS, were elected Trustees of the University of the South for Alabama.

Mr. JNO. L. COBBS was elected Treasurer of the University of the South for Alabama.

On motion, a Committee consisting of Rev. J. L. TUCKER, D. D., Rev. R. H. COBBS, D. D., Rev. G. C. TUCKER and Mr. W. H. ROSS, was appointed to prepare suitable resolutions in regard to the death of Mr. H. A. LOWE.

On motion it was

Resolved, That Mr. Silas McBee be invited to deliver an address in regard to the University of the South, to-night at 8 o'clock.

The Secretary then read a communication in regard to a Summer School of Theology at Sewanee.

He also presented certain communications from the General Convention which, on motion, were referred to the Committee on Canons.

The Treasurer of the Diocesan Missionary Fund, the Treasurer of the Bishop's Fund, and the Treasurer of the Diocese, presented their reports, which were received and read, and on motion, were referred to the Committee on Finance.

On motion, it was

Resolved, That the Chairman appoint a Committee of three clergymen and two laymen, to confer with the Bishop with a view of ascertaining

from him his wishes as to any episcopal assistance in the future, which Committee shall report some plan to that effect to this Council.

Rev. Dr. STRINGFELLOW, Rev. Dr. BANISTER, Rev. R. W. BARNWELL, Messrs. J. H. FITTS and R. M. NELSON, were appointed said Committee.

On motion, the Council adjourned till 9 A. M. Thursday.

THIRD DAY.

MONTGOMERY, ALA., May 22, 1890.

The Council met pursuant to adjournment. After prayers were said, the roll was called; a quorum was found to be present, and the minutes of yesterday's proceedings were read and amended, and as amended were approved.

Rev. W. R. DYE, Rev. CHAS. E. CABINESS, Rev. J. A. VAN-HOOSE, Rev. J. C. JOHNES, and Messrs. F. M. HIGHT, EMMANUEL JONES, F. STOLLENWERCK, JOHN McQUEEN, E. P. GALT, ROBT. JEMISON, appeared and took their seats.

A certificate of election of Lay Deputies was presented from St. Stephen's Church, Eutaw, and declared to be in due form, and Messrs. B. B. BARNES, JAMES BANK, J. SMAW, W. B. DUNCAN entitled to seats.

Two applications of Parishes for admission into union with the Council were presented, and referred to the appropriate Committee.

A communication from the Church Year Publishing Co., Jacksonville, Florida, was presented and read, and the following resolutions were adopted:

Resolved, That this Council heartily approves the attempt of the *Church Year* to build up a journal representative of the Church in the South.

Resolved, That all the members of this Council be requested to give all available aid to this praiseworthy work.

The hour having arrived for considering the order of the day, on motion, it was

Resolved, That the next Annual Session of this Council be held in the Church of St. Michael and All Angels, Anniston, beginning Tuesday, May 19, 1891.

On motion, the report of the Special Committee appointed to

confer with the Bishop, was made the order of the day for 12 o'clock.

The Council then considered the amendments to the Constitution proposed by the Standing Committee of the Diocese, and found in the Appendix to the Journal of 1889, and after much discussion, endorsed such changes as appear in the Appendix to this Journal.

The hour of 12 M. having arrived, the Special Committee made the following report:

The Committee appointed to confer with the Bishop with a view of ascertaining from him his wishes as to any episcopal assistance which, in his opinion, may be needed, beg leave to report that they have discharged the duty assigned them. After free and full conference, the Bishop stated that whilst an Assistant Bishop will be needed at perhaps an early day, by the advise of his physician he expressed the opinion that there is no necessity for immediate action upon the part of the Council, trusting that his present disability may be only temporary. The Bishop desires to return his thanks to the Council for their considerate action, and also to say, through the Committee, that he proposes to call in the assistance of a Bishop in order to complete, at an early day, the visitation of the Diocese.

(Signed) H. STRINGFELLOW, J. M. BANISTER,
J. H. FITTS, R. W. BARNWELL,
R. M. NELSON.

On motion, the latter part of the report was referred to the Committee on Finance.

On motion, it was

Resolved, That the Board of Missions are authorized and requested to publish and distribute monthly, among the families of the several Parishes and Missions of the Diocese, a monthly paper, to contain the calendar for the month of publication, communications from the Bishop, a list of his appointments for the month, and of his visitations for the previous month, and such other matters as the Bishop and the Board may deem advisable to publish; *Provided*, that the expense shall not exceed thirty dollars a month; one-half of which shall be paid by the Board of Missions and one-half by the Council of the Diocese.

Resolved, That while the paper is sent free to every family, the Council requests every family which is able to do so, to contribute the sum of fifty cents a year to that object.

Resolved, That every Clergyman in charge of a Mission Station, and the Rector or Senior Warden of every Parish, be requested to send to the Secretary of the Board of Missions, a list of all the families in such Parish or Mission, or of any individuals not able to pay.

The report af the Trustees of the Bishop's Fund was presented and read, and on motion, ordered to be printed in the Appendix.

On motion, it was

Resolved, That the Council meet at 5 P. M. as a Committee of the Whole, to consider whether, in their judgment, the time has not arrived when the health, and long and faithful services of the Bishop of the Diocese, demand such help as love and devotion to him and to the Church press upon us to offer, and to take into consideration the election of an Assistant Bishop.

On motion, the Council adjourned.

THURSDAY, May 22, 1890.

6:30 O'CLOCK P. M.—The Council re-assembled, and the Rev. Dr. STRINGFELLOW was called to the chair. The following was presented and read:

The Committee of the Whole having considered the resolution presented, beg leave to offer the following resolutions:

Resolved, That it is the sense of this Council that the Bishop of the Diocese needs an Assistant Bishop.

Resolved, That a Committee of three, consisting of Rev. Messrs Barnwell and Fitts, and Mr. R. M. Nelson, be appointed to wait upon the Bishop of the Diocese, and ask his consent to elect an Assistant Bishop of Alabama, informing him that the Council will raise the sum of $3,000 for the salary of said Assistant Bishop, without reducing the salary of the present Bishop; also stating that a furnished residence is provided for the Assistant Bishop, should he elect to reside in Montgomery, or a furnished residence in Anniston, if he selects that place as his home.

On motion, these resolutions were adopted.

On motion, the Council adjourned till 9 A. M. Friday.

FOURTH DAY.

MONTGOMERY, May 23, 1890.

The Council met pursuant to adjournment. After prayers were said the roll was called. A quorum was found to be present, and the minutes of yesterday's proceedings were read and approved.

The following report from the Committee on New Parishes was presented and read, and on motion adopted:

Your Committee beg leave to explain that the delay in the presentation

of their report was caused by the pending consideration of the proposed constitutional amendments, in regard to the qualifications of congregations applying to be admitted; and to report that applications have been laid before them from four points in the Diocese, namely: From the Mission of the Holy Innocents, Auburn; St. Michael and All Angels, Anniston; Trinity Church, Bessemer, and St. John's Church, New Decatur.

After careful examination of the papers, they unanimously recommend the following resolution:

Resolved, That Holy Innocents, Auburn; St. Michael and All Angels, Anniston; and Trinity Church, Bessemer, be admitted as Parishes into union with the Council

All of which is respectfully submitted,

T. J. BEARD, R. W. BARNWELL,
E. CRENSHAW, W. W. DUGGER.

The portion relating to Decatur, was, on motion recommitted.

Certificates of Election of Lay Deputies were presented from the Church of the Holy Innocents, Auburn, and from the Church of St. Michael and All Angels, Anniston, and declared to be in due form; and the following Lay Deputies entitled to seats:

Church of The Holy Innocents, Auburn—W. L. Broun, J. S. Newman, J. H. Lane.

St. Michael's and All Angels, Anniston—I. W. Noble, Sam'l. Robinson, H. M. Weathers, O. H. Parker.

Their names being called, MESSRS. BROUN and NOBLE took their seats.

The following was presented and read:

The Special Committee appointed to wait upon the Bishop and ask his consent to the election of an Assistant Bishop, beg leave to offer as their report, the following letter:

DIOCESE OF ALABAMA:

ST. JOHN'S, MONTGOMERY, May 23, 1890.

To the Council of the Diocese of Alabama:

I do hereby give my canonical consent to the election of an Assistant Bishop for the Diocese of Alabama, and I do engage to give such an assignment of duty to said Bishop elect as shall be entirely satisfactory to him. RICHARD H. WILMER, Bishop of Alabama.

(Signed) R. W. BARNWELL, Chairman,
P. A. FITTS,
R. M. NELSON.

The following report was presented and read, and on motion was received and concurred in:

The Committee on Canons, to whom the proposed changes in the Prayer Book were referred, beg leave to recommend that the subject matter be postponed till the next Annual Council.

H. STRINGFELLOW, Chairman.

The following report was presented and read, and on motion was received and concurred in:

The Committee on Canons, to whom certain resolutions adopted by the House of Deputies of the General Convention were referred, asking each Diocese to pass a Canon providing for a Clergy Pension Fund, beg leave to report the following Canon and ask for its adoption. [See Appendix.]

On motion it was

***Resolved, unanimously,* That consent, and the same is hereby given to the Bishop of the Diocese to sell and convey the real estate in Greensboro, Alabama, known as the Episcopal Rectory Property, and re-invest the proceeds of the sale, the corpus to be held as a Rectory Fund, and the interest and rents of said investment to be paid to the Rector of St. Paul's Parish, Greensboro, Ala., such sale to be for cash or on a credit as to the Bishop may seem best.**

On motion, the report of the Special Committee appointed to wait upon the Bishop was taken up, and the Council voting by orders, resolved to proceed to the election of an assistant Bishop.

On motion the Council took a recess till 4:30 P. M.

MONTGOMERY, May 23, 1890.

4:30 P. M—The Council re-assembled, and after prayers, proceeded to the election of an Assistant Bishop. The Rev. J. S. LINDSAY, D. D., of St. Paul's Church, Boston; and Rev. T. F. GAILOR, of Sewanee, were placed in nomination. The Rev. W. R. DYE and Rev. BENJ. DENNIS being appointed tellers to collect and count the vote.

Twenty-seven clerical votes were cast, of which Rev. Dr. LINDSAY received eighteen and Rev. Mr. GAILOR nine, whereupon, the President announced that the Rev. J. S. LINDSAY, D. D., was nominated by the Clergy for election to the office of Assistant Bishop of Alabama.

The Laity, after consultation among themselves, proceeded to

vote by Parishes, Messrs. C. E. WALLER and R. C. RANDOLPH being appointed tellers.

Twenty votes were cast, nineteen Parishes voting to confirm the nomination and one to reject it. The President then announced that the Rev. J. S. LINDSAY, D. D., was elected Assistant Bishop of Alabama, and on motion the election was declared to be unanimous. The Council then joined most heartily in singing the Gloria in Excelsis.

The Rev. J. M. BANISTER, D. D., Rev. H. STRINGFELLOW, D. D., Rev. J. L. TUCKER, D. D. and Mr. R. M. NELSON, were appointed a Committee to inform the Rev. Dr. LINDSAY by letter of his election, and the members of the Council proceeded to sign the testimonial required by Canon.

The Finance Committee made a report which was received and read, and on motion was concurred in. [See Appendix.]

On motion it was

Resolved, That the salary of the Assistant Bishop be fixed at $3,000 with a furnished house in the City of Montgomery, provided he elects to reside there.

The following was presented, and on motion was adopted.

The Committee on Finance recommend the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That we recommend that the Bishop's Fund be made whole in its original investment, and that the Diocese then take the remainder of the Hamner Hall property to do with it as it may deem best, according to the original intention of the donors.

On motion it was

Resolved, That the thanks of this Council are tendered to the Rectors and members of the Parishes of St. John's Church and the Church of The Holy Comforter, of the City of Montgomery, for their courtesies and generous hospitality during the conciliar session of 1890.

On motion the Council adjourned till 8 P. M.

MONTGOMERY, May 23, 8 P. M.

The Council met pursuant to adjournment.

The Committee on the State of the Church, presented and read the following report, which, on motion was received and concurred in.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE STATE OF THE CHURCH.

The Committee on the State of the Church beg leave to report that they have had the matter under consideration and report as follows:

First, after some consideration we find that there is nothing of any special interest to which to call the attention of the Council. But the reports of various Committees, and especially the Parochial reports, show that the condition of the Church generally throughout the Diocese is very encouraging. They show that there is a general advance all along the line. The financial condition of the Church is very promising; but three or four Mission Stations have failed to pay their assessments to the Bishop's Funds. The state of the Diocesan Missionary Fund is very satisfactory indeed.

As to the growth of the Church, the number of new Missionary Stations springing up in every part of the Dioceses demanding services, and the Macedonian cry that comes from so many localities "Come over and help us," show that the possible growth of the Church in the near future is almost without bounds.

Finally, when we think of what the Church in this Diocese was a few years ago and what it is now, we may well exclaim "What hath God wrought."

Under all the circumstances, we certainly have reason to "thank God and take courage."

All of which is respectfully submitted,

J. F. Smith, Ch'n — Alonzo Hill,
Deb. Waddell, — G. T. Foster,
Jno. A. Harrison, — F. B. Lee.

The following was presented and read, and on motion was received and concurred in:

Your Committee on the Admission of New Parishes, to whom was recommitted the application in behalf of St. John's Church, New Decatur, respectfully beg leave to report that they return said application to the Council without any action thereon, and for such further consideration by the Council as they may see proper in the premises.

They further report that they have examined witnesses pro and con, and such documentary evidence as was accessible, touching the title of the lots donated in New Decatur, and find that the said property was vested in this Diocese for the use of St. Paul's Church, Decatur. In consideration, therefore, of the conflict of claims that may arise, and the further fact, that consent of the Council may be necessary to the exchange of lots contemplated, this Committee ask to be discharged.

T. J. Beard, Chairman, — R. W. Barnwell,
E. Crenshaw, — W. W. Dugger.

On motion the Secretary was instructed to have printed 500 copies of the Journal of this Council.

On motion it was

Resolved, That the Committee on Parochial Reports be continued to the next Council with permission to sit during the recess.

On motion it was

Resolved, That it shall be the duty of every Rector or Minister in charge of any Parish or Mission Station within this Diocese, to close and make out his Parochial Report on the first day of May of each year, and within one week thereafter mail the same to the Chairman of the Committee on Parochial Reports.

The Committee on Parocial Reports presented and read their report, which was received and concurred in, and on motion was ordered to be printed in the Appendix.

On motion the Council adjourned till 9 o'clock Saturday.

MONTGOMERY, ALA., May 24, 1890.

9 A. M.—The Council met pursuant to adjournment on motion. The following resolution was referred to the next Council:

Resolved, That the Canon providing for a Diocesan printer be, and the same is hereby repealed.

On motion it was

Resolved, That all papers of a legal character hereafter executed be first submitted to the Chancellor of the Diocese for his examination and approval, to be so endorsed by him, and then transmitted to the Registrar for filing.

On motion it was

Resolved, That the Secretary make a contract for the printing of the Journal of 1891, not later than the first day of May, 1891.

On motion the resolution which called for a Committee to notify Rev. Dr. LINDSAY of his election was reconsidered, and the following Committee appointed: Rev. H. STRINGFELLOW, D. D., Rev. R. H. COBBS, D. D., Rev. W. A. STICKNEY and Mr. C. E. WALLER.

The minutes were read and approved. On motion the Council adjourned *sine die*.

RICHARD H. WILMER,
Bishop and President.

R. H. COBBS, *Secretary.*

APPENDIX A.

ANNUAL ADDRESS OF THE BISHOP

TO THE

Council of the Diocese of Alabama.

DEARLY BELOVED BRETHREN OF THE CLERGY AND LAITY OF THE DIOCESE OF ALABAMA: We are again assembled to take counsel, and to give in our reports of duties performed during the last conciliar year. I submit the following

JOURNAL FOR CONCILIAR YEAR, OF THE DIOCESE OF ALABAMA, FOR 1889-90:

1889—May 21st—The Council of the Diocese of Alabama assembled in St. Mary's Church, Birmingham. After the morning service, and a sermon by the Rev. Wm. T. Allen, I celebrated Holy Communion, assisted by the Rector. The remainder of the week was spent in attendance upon the sessions of the Council.

May 24th—I confirmed one person at St. Mary's Church.

May 26th—I preached at St. Mary's Church.

In the afternoon of the same day, I made an address at Church of the Advent, Birmingham, and confirmed seven persons

June 16th—After a sermon by Rev. Philip A. Fitts, I celebrated Holy Communion at St. Paul's, Whistler.

July 4th.—Confirmed four persons at Trinity Church, Mobile, and made an address.

July 8th—At St. Paul's Church, Spring Hill, I baptized four children.

July 14th—(Fourth Sunday after Trinity)—Preached at St. Paul's, Spring Hill.

July 21st—(Fifth Sunday after Trinity)—Preached and celebrated Holy Communion at St. Paul's, Spring Hill.

July 23d—Baptized an infant at St Paul's, Spring Hill.

July 28th—(Sixth Sunday after Trinity)—Preached at St. Paul's, Spring Hill, and celebrated Holy Communion.

August 12th—Held service at Oratory of Church Home, Mobile, made an address and celebrated Holy Communion.

At this time I went Northward, and remained until the close of

the General Convention. During my absence, I preached as opportunity offered, and officiated on several special occasions, as follows, viz.:

September 19th—Preached at the consecration of All Saints' Church, Brookland, Penn., by request of the Assistant Bishop of Central Pennsylvania.

This church was built by the children of Henry Hatch Dent—a classmate of mine for four years at Yale University—to the glory of God and in memory of their father. It is a beautiful and massive structure, and fully in harmony with the character of the man whose memory it was designed to perpetuate.

September 22d—In the same church, I baptized an infant grandchild of my departed friend.

September 29th—In the same church I married a couple.

October 2d—Attended in my place as a member of the House of Bishops, and discharged all the duties which devolved upon me, until its adjournment.

November 2d—Confirmed a sick person in private, from Christ Church, Mobile.

November 3d—(Twentieth Sunday after Trinity)—Preached and celebrated Holy Communion at St. Paul's, Spring Hill.

November 5th—Confirmed two persons in private; candidates presented by the Rector of Christ Church, Mobile.

November 10th—(Twenty-first Sunday after Trinity)—Preached at Christ Church, Mobile.

November 17th—(Twenty-second Sunday after Trinity)—Preached and celebrated Holy Communion at Trinity Church, Mobile.

November 21st—Received from Standing Committee a recommendation to receive Nehemiah Durham VanSyckel as a candidate for Holy Orders, and accordingly so received him as a candidate for Priest's Orders.

November 22d—Preached at St. Mary's, Evergreen.

November 24th—(Sunday before Advent)—Preached at St. Thomas', Greenville, and confirmed one person.

November 26th—Preached in the new church building at Hayneville, confirmed three persons, and celebrated Holy Communion

The good people of this Parish, few in number and under many

discouragements, have at last succeeded in erecting a new church; having disposed of the old structure, which had never been consecrated. They have done a good work.

November 27th—Preached at St. Paul's, Lowndesboro, confirmed four persons and celebrated Holy Communion.

November 28th—(Thanksgiving Day)—Preached at St. Paul's, Selma.

In the evening of the same day, I preached at Church of the Holy Cross, Uniontown, and confirmed one person.

November 29th--Confirmed three persons from Church of the Holy Cross.

At morning service of same day, I preached at St. Michael's Church, Faunsdale, confirmed eight persons and celebrated Holy Communion.

December 8th—(Second Sunday in Advent)—Preached at St. Paul's Church, Spring Hill.

At evening service of same day, preached at Church of the Good Shepherd, and confirmed twelve persons.

December 10th—Officiated at a funeral on Spring Hill.

December 15th—(Third Sunday in Advent)—Preached at Christ Church, Mobile, and confirmed eleven persons.

In the afternoon of the same day, I baptized three infants from the country, at Christ Church, Mobile.

December 16—At Church of the Good Shepherd, I confirmed two persons.

December 22d—(Fourth Sunday in Advent)—Preached at St. Paul's, Whistler, baptized an adult, confirmed ten persons, and celebrated Holy Communion.

December 25th—(Feast of the Nativity)—Preached at St. Paul's, Spring Hill, and celebrated Holy Communion.

December 29—(Sunday of Christmas)—Preached at St. John's, Mobile, and confirmed fifteen persons.

At this service I baptized an infant child—Wm. P. Hammond—a grandson of Wm. P. Hammond, one of the three founders of St John's Church, and up to the time of his death, one of its most liberal supporters.

1890—January 12th—(First Sunday in Epiphany)—Preached at Trinity Church, Mobile.

January 16th—Received Louis Tucker as a Postulant for Holy Orders.

January 19th—(Second Sunday in Epiphany)—Preached at St. Paul's Church, Spring Hill.

From this time forth for several weeks, I suffered from an attack of sickness, and was unable to officiate in the sanctuary. Meanwhile I kept up an increasingly large correspondence with all parts of the Diocese, particularly with the new towns that are springing up with magical rapidity throughout the whole mineral section of the State. There is every reason to believe that the State (and consequently, the Diocese) of Alabama is destined, at no distant day, to be the strongest in the Southern States. Never did the necessity of an earnest Evangelist to visit these new points, and help them in their efforts at organization, so impress itself upon my mind and heart.

January 28th—Received a certificate that Joseph F. John had passed a satisfactory examination for Deacon's Orders—Rev. Messrs. W. A. Stickney and R. H. Cobbs, Examiners.

February 4th—Held at my residence, an examination of two candidates for Holy Orders—the one, that of Mr. Percy W. Jones, for Deacon's Orders; the other, the third examination of Rev. Walter C. Whitaker, (Deacon) for Priest's Orders—Rev. Messrs. J. L. Tucker and J. L. Lancaster, Examiners.

The examination was exceptionally satisfactory. They made manifest an unusual amount of diligent and accurate study. Both candidates received unqualified certificates of proficiency. The ordination of Mr. Whitaker is only delayed on account of his immaturity in respect to the required Canonical age for the Priesthood.

March 24th—Received from the Standing Committee, testimonials recommending Percy W. Jones and Joseph F. John to be ordained to the Diaconate; also, recommending John B. Reese to be received as candidate for Holy Orders.

April 6th—(Easter Day)—Officiated at St. Paul's, Spring Hill, baptized an adult, confirmed nine persons, and celebrated Holy Communion.

April 13th—(First Sunday after Easter)—Officiated at Grace Church, Anniston, and, after a sermon by the Rector, confirmed twenty-two persons.

April 14th—Held a supplemental confirmation at same church and confirmed three persons.

The candidates were from Grace, and St. Paul's Chapel, Glen Addie, at which latter church the Rev. Chas. E. Cabiness officiates, acting assistant to Rev. Mr. Fitts, of Grace Church. I was glad to welcome Mr. Cabiness back to the Diocese.

April 16th—At St. Luke's, Jacksonville, after a sermon by the Rev. Philip A. Fitts, I confirmed six persons.

April 18th—Officiated at St. Peter's, Talladega, Rev. Philip A. Fitts preaching the sermon.

At all these visitations named, I was able only to speak a few words to the confirmees. At Talladega I held a lengthy interview with the Vestry and others, on matters of deep concernment to the Parish.

April 20th—(Second Sunday after Easter)—Officiated at St. Paul's, Selma, and after a sermon by the Rev. W. A Stickney, made Deacon Joseph Francis John, and celebrated Holy Communion.

At afternoon service, after a sermon by Rev. Benj. Dennis, confirmed twenty-one persons.

April 27th—(Third Sunday after Easter)—Officiated at Trinity Church, Mobile, and after a sermon by the Rev. Chauncy Williams, of Georgia, I made a brief address, and confirmed twenty persons

May 4th—(Fourth Sunday after Easter)—After a sermon by the Rector, I confirmed thirty-four persons at St. John's Church, Mobile—forty-nine confirmed at this church during the past conciliar year.

May 7th—At an ordination held at St. Paul's Church, Whistler, I made Deacon Percy Walton Jones; candidate presented by the Rev. J. L. Lancaster, and sermon preached by the same. The Rev. G. C. Tucker was present and participated in the services. I also celebrated Holy Communion.

May 8th—At St. Paul's, Spring Hill, I confirmed one person, a candidate from Trinity Church, Mobile, making twenty-five persons confirmed from Trinity since last report.

May 11th—(Fifth Sunday after Easter)—Officiated at Christ Church, Mobile. After a sermon by the Rector, confirmed six-

teen persons, making thirty confirmed in this parish since last report.

May 15th—Gave my canonical consent to the consecration of the Rev. Dr. Nichols to the Assistant Episcopate of the Diocese of California.

At this point of time I was compelled by sickness to withdraw my appointments for confirmation at Auburn and Montgomery, and am forced to submit this imperfect record as my report for the past year.

Whilst deeply regretting my inability to meet you in this Council, I look back with great satisfaction to the fact that during the twenty-eight years of my Episcopate I have never before, from any cause, been forced to absent myself from your deliberations.'

The following is a summary of my official acts during the past year, viz:

Marriages	1
Baptisms—Infants, 9; Adults, 2—Total	11
Funerals	1
Lay Readers Licensed	21
Deacons Ordained	2
Candidates for Holy Orders Received	1
Number Confirmed	217

I have transferred to other Dioceses as follows, viz:

Rev. Chas. H. Lockwood, to Diocese of Arkansas.

Rev. Joseph Jameson, to Diocese of Fond duLac.

Rev. L. H. Snell, (Deacon), to Diocese of Mississippi.

I have received into the Diocese Rev. Charles E. Cabaniss, from Diocese of Missouri.

CLERICAL CHANGES WITHIN THE DIOCESE.

Rev. W. A. Stickney has charge of St. John's, Forkland.

Rev. Chas. E. Cabaniss is Assistant of Grace Church, Anniston, and officiates at St Paul's Chapel, Glen Addie.

Rev. Geo M. Everhart. D. D., has charge of Emanuel, Opelika.

Rev. J. F. Smith, in addition to his labors as Evangelist, has charge of St. Peters, Talladega.

Rev. W. C. Whitaker, (Deacon), confines his labors to Auburn.

Rev. Percy W. Jones, (Deacon), has been assigned to duty at

St. Paul's Church, Whistler, St. Peter's, Bon Secour and St. Mary's, Fowl River.

Rev. James A. Van Hoose, (Deacon), has been officiating most diligently at the several Mission stations about Birmingham, and, as opportunity offers, will continue in the same important work.

OFFICIAL NOTICES RECEIVED, VIZ.:

Of deposition of Benj. T. Noakes, by Bishop of Delaware; of deposition of J. H. Chandler, (Deacon), by Bishop of Minnesota; of deposition of R. Louis Knox, ———, by Bishop of Nebraska; of deposition of John Howe Jenkins, by Bishop of Milwaukee; of deposition of D. P. Chockley, (Deacon), by Bishop of Virginia; of deposition of John M. Leavitt, by Bishop of New York; of deposition of Myour S. Robinson, by Missionary Bishop of South Dakota; of displacement from candidacy for order of Chas. A. Eaton, West Michigan; of withdrawal from candidacy for orders of Geo. H. Cleveland, M. D., and Louis L. Joy, West Michigan; of final rejection of Robert Lee Whitlow's application for admission to candidacy for Holy Orders, by Bishop of Virginia.

CONDITION OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

Church at Gainesville—The Journal will show that a debt amounting, with interest, to $600 was due from St. Mary's, Summerville, to St. Albans, Gainesville, being money loaned. The same has been paid in full and the vouchers at hand. The church at Gainesville, as reported to me, is in complete condition; but alas! the guests to sit down are sadly lacking. We have no material at Gainesville to work on; but time brings changes, and St. Albans may still have a future in store.

The property entitled "St. Mary's," Summerville, was, some years ago, used as a church (an unconsecrated building), and a school house. Changes in the population of this neighborhood by departures and deaths have removed the church element, and of late years the property has been rented, the debt to St. Alba is having been paid from this source. The rental from the St. Mary's property will, in future, be used for the benefit of candidates for Holy Orders.

St. Peter's, Lowndes County—St. Peter's is one of the oldest church localities in the Diocese. Hardly a vestige of church population is left. I found, upon inquiry, that there are some

three or four acres of land, with dilapidated buildings thereon, which belongs to the church. I found, also, an impression prevailing that all this property would, on disuse for original purposes, revert to the heirs of the original donors or owners, whereupon I caused examination to be made, and found, by deeds recorded in the County Court offices, that the Church held all this property in fee simple. Accordingly, I procured certified copies of said deeds, and transmitted the same to our Registrer, who will report possession.

I have given occupancy of said property to a daughter of the church; providing, however, that the grant of temporary occupancy shall be subject to revocation at any time, at the discretion of the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese.

I feel called upon in this connection to invoke the earnest attention of our Clergy and Laity to the subject matter of the titles by which their church property is held. In our large churches there is no danger to be apprehended, for the vestries are men of business and have looked to their churches, and keep their rights in view.

But in our rural Parishes and village churches there is little or no attention paid to these so-called small matters. For twenty-eight years I have invoked the attention of our people to this matter, and still have to lament their inattention.

Whenever I have been asked how property should be deeded, I have invariably advised that the Act of Incorporation by the State should be followed in its provisions. In framing that act, I had the best legal counsel that the State afforded. The counsel given me by the best counsellers was this expressed in the following formula:

"To the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Alabama," (for the benefit of such and such an institution or church in a given locality).

Vestries may die out—trustees, also,—but it is to be hoped that the Church will not.

The State of Alabama, and with it the Diocese thereof, is destined, under God's good providence, to have a great future. Its growth is phenomenal, almost magical. We must sedulously guard every interest, material and spiritual. I have never yet found a sensible diligence in business incompatible with fervor of

spirit; and our Clergy will find that a practical good sense displayed in their earthly concernments will give them, in the estimation of their Lay brother, a prestige, which they cannot afford to lose.

St. Paul's Church, Decatur—This Church has suffered long from discordant and conflicting opinions and interests. This condition is quite abnormal. It grows from two centres, as shown by the titles of Old and New Decatur.

I have at last—having thereto been empowered by the action of this Council, (See Journal of 1888)—given my consent to the sale of the old Bank street lot—the lot on which the old church stood before it was burned. In course of time there must be two churches to meet the needs of a population so widely scattered The old church lot is valued at $5,000. Just after the war I purchased it for $300.

Trinity Church, Florence—The town of Florence is growing rapidly. The church building is far away from the population and of very small dimensions Exercising the authority delegated by this Council, I have consented to the sale of the building, provided that the material shall, as far as possible, be used in the erection of the new church.

Church Home Funds—I have very recently, in an "Open Letter," given a statement of the present status of this property.

THE FOLLOWING SHOWS ITS STATUS MAY 15, 1890:

19	Registered Ala. Bonds,			(A)	for	$1,000	each—Cost	.....	$13,951 14
1	Coupon	"	"	"	"	1,000	— "	.....	1,080 00
2	"	"	"	(C)	"	1,000	" "	.....	2,060 00
4	"	"	"	(A)	"	500	" "	.....	2,116 25
1	M. & O. R. R. 1st Mort. B'd,				"	1,000	— "	.....	1,172 50
2	Tenn. Bonds,				"	100	" "	.....	144 00
	Prime Cost of Bonds							.....	$ 20,523 89
	The Present Market Value							.....	$ 28,104 00
	Responsible Notes							.....	1,284 00
	In hand for Investment and Current Expenses							.....	1,406 40
									$30,794 40

Hamner Hall Property—The press of the day abounds in accounts of the establishment of educational institutions. Large sums have been subscribed for their erection and maintenance by the different religious bodies. I cannot well express my deep regret that the

idea is even entertained of allowing Hamner Hall to pass out of the hands of the church—as an educational institution. It comes down to us consecrated by the devotion and beneficence of the original donors of the property, especially the first Bishop of Alabama. I trust that the earliest attention of this Council will be given to the consideration of this matter.

A building, such as Hamner Hall, at the capital of the State, and at the centre of the State, should never be allowed to go out of the possession of the Church.

In this connection, I will call attention to the establishment of the boys and girls schools at Anniston These buildings have been erected with a princely munificence. There is no cause for rivalry between the church schools at Anniston and Montgomery. We need church schools at all our centres of population.

I have now, my dear brethren, given you the business status of the Diocese.

The Canons of the Church require the Bishop to issue a Pastoral at least once in every three years. I have, yearly, for more than a quarter of a century, given you in my Pastorals, the result of much earnest thought. Ill health must be my plea for omitting my usual address this year.

My time with you is necessarily short. I love you all with an exceeding love. My last breath, if I am conscious, will be given or your continual and ever increasing prosperity.

Faithfully and affectionately yours,

RICH'D H. WILMER,

Bishop of the Diocese of Alabama.

Diocese of Alabama, May 20, 1890.

[APPENDIX B.]

Report of the Finance Committee.

The Finance Committee beg to report that they have examined and audited the account of Mr. George A. Wilkins, the Treasurer of the Diocese, and find, including the balance on hand at last Council, he has received the sum of.....$4,917 90

And that he has properly expended the sum of..... 4,663 82

Leaving a cash balance on hand of .....$ 254 08

The Committee further report that they have examined and audited the account of Mr. Charles E. Waller, the Treasurer of the Diocesan Mis

sionary Fund, and find that, including the balance on hand at the last Council, he has received the sum of.....$4,047 55
And that he has properly expended the sum of..... 3,164 08

Leaving a cash balance on hand of.....$ 883 47

The Committee further report that they have examined and audited the account of Mr. N. H. R. Dawson, Treasurer of the Bishop's Fund, and find that, including the balance on hand at the last Council, he has received from interest and rents, the sum of.....$2,139 97
And that he has properly expended the sum of..... 2,003 41

Leaving a cash balance on hand of.....$ 136 56

The Committee submit the following as the

REQUIREMENTS FOR 1890-91.

The Bishop's Salary	$ 4,000 00
The Assistant Bishop's Salary	3,000 00
The Secretary of the Council	150 00
The Treasurer of the Council	50 00
The Expenses of the Council of 1889-90	15 00
Printing the Journal Council 1889-90	200 00
One-half premium on Life Insurance of Bishop Wilmer	122 50
Total	$7,537 50

And the following as the

ESTIMATED RESOURCES FOR 1890-91:

Cash in the hands of the Treasurer	$ 254 08
Cash in the hands of the Treasurer Bishop's Fund	306 56
Assessments for 1890-91 (see Exhibit A)	5,193 33
Interest on Bishop's Fund	860 00
From the Board of Missions	1,000 00
Total	$7,613 97

All of which is respectfully submitted,

R. M. NELSON, Ch'n — D. G. DUNKLIN.
WM. H. ROSS, — B. J. BALDWIN,
J. H. FITTS, — J. L. COBBS.
J. R. ROBERTSON, — JOHN H. MINGE.

EXHIBIT A—ASSESSMENTS FOR 1890-91.

Montgomery—St. John's Parish	$ 562 50
Mobile—Christ Church Parish	562 50
Selma—St. Paul's Parish	450 00
Huntsville—The Church of the Nativity	375 00
Birmingham—The Church of the Advent	375 00
Mobile—Trinity Church Parish	312 50
Birmingham—St. Mary's Parish	300 00
Tuskaloosa—Christ Church Parish	225 00
Anniston—Grace Church Parish	225 00
Mobile—St. John's Parish	225 00
Greensboro—St. Paul's Parish	225 00
Demopolis—Trinity Church Parish	133 33
Montgomery—The Church of the Holy Comforter	100 00
Eufaula—St. James' Parish	75 00
Carried Forward	$4,145 83

Brought Forward	$4,145 83
Decatur—St. Paul's Parish	62 50
Florence—Trinity Church Parish	43 75
Sheffield—Grace Church Parish	52 50
Uniontown—The Church of the Holy Cross	45 00
Faunsdale—St. Michael's Parish	45 00
Marion—St. Wilfred's Parish	37 50
Greenville—St. Thomas' Church Parish	37 50
Gallion—St. Andrew's Parish	37 50
Eutaw—St. Stephen's Parish	31 25
Mobile—The Church of the Good Shepherd	31 25
Talladega—St. Peter's Parish	31 25
Boligee—St. Mark's Parish	25 00
Jacksonville—St. Luke's Parish	31 25
Livingston—St. James' Parish	31 25
Carlowville—St. Paul's Parish	37 50
Bessemer—Trinity Church Parish	50 00
Auburn—The Church of the Holy Innocents	30 00
Hayneville—St. Andrew's Parish	18 75
Tuscumbia—St. John's Parish	18 75
Scottsboro—St. Luke's Parish	18 75
Troy—St. Mark's Parish	18 75
Evergreen—St. Mary's Parish	18 75
Lowndesboro—St. Paul's Parish	18 75
Athens—St. Timothy's Parish	18 75
Gadsden—The Gadsden Mission	22 50
Brierfield—The Brierfield Mission	15 00
Martin's Station—St. Luke's Parish	25 00
Clayton—Grace Church Parish	15 00
Piedmont—Christ Church Parish	15 00
Tilden—Grace Church Parish	12 50
Montevallo—The Montevallo Mission	15 00
Forkland—St. John's Parish	12 50
Prattville—St. Mark's Parish	12 50
Union Springs—Trinity Church Parish	15 00
Trinity—Grace Church Parish	12 50
Opelika—Emanuel Church Parish	20 00
Bon Secour—St. Peter's Church Parish	12 50
Avondale—Avondale Mission	12 50
Ironaton—The Ironaton Mission	12 50
Gainsville—St. Alban's Parish	6 25
Whistler—St. Paul's Parish	10 00
Clanton—The Clanton Mission	5 00
Spring Hill—St. Paul's	5 00
Total	$ 5,193 33

PARISHES IN ARREARS FOR 1889-90:

Marion, Ala.—St. Wilfred's Parish	$ 15 00
Livingston, Ala.—St. James' Parish	9 00
Troy, Ala.—St. Mark's Parish	7 50
Gadsden, Ala.—The Gadsden Mission	10 00
Gainsville, Ala.—St. Alban's Parish	5 00
Clanton, Ala.—The Clanton Mission	5 00
Total in arrears for 1889-90	$ 51 50
Amount of the Assessments for the year 1889-90	$3,885 00

Amount Collected by Treasurer, Assessment of 1889-90.....	3,833 50
Amount in Arrears to balance.....	51 50
Total.....	$3,885 00

The Finance Committee instructs the Treasurer to remit all the arrearages.

RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS OF THE TREASURER OF THE DIOCESE OF ALABAMA, FROM MAY 14, 1874, TO MAY 15, 1890.

RECEIPTS:

May 14, 1874, Cash Balance on hand.....	$ 605 36
Assessments Paid by Parishes from 1874 to 1890.....	65,988 66
Interest Received from Bishop's Fund from 1874 to 1890.....	11,926 00
Total.....	$ 78,520 02

DISBURSEMENTS:

Paid Bishop Wilmer, on Salary, from 1874 to 1890.....	$ 67,700 00
Amount Paid on Life Insurance Policy Bishop Wilmer.....	2,007 25
Amount Paid for Printing the Journal from 1874 to 1890.....	3,124 69
Amount of Incidental Expenses from 1874 to 1890.....	5,515 00
May 15, 1890—Cash Balance on Hand.....	173 08
Total.....	$ 78,520 02

[APPENDIX C.]

Report of the Trustees of the Bishop's Fund.

The Trustees of the Bishop's Fund submit the following report for the Conciliar year ending May 20, 1890:

In accordance with the resolutions of the last Council, the Trustees met at Montgomery on the 22d of June, in order to negotiate with the city for a sale of so much of the Hamner Hall property as was necessary for the opening and extension of a street along the southern boundary of the premises. After a full examination of the property, and a conference with the city authorities, the Trustees regret to state that they were unable to come to any agreement with them, at what they considered a reasonable price, for the sale of that part of the property which was needed, and that an offer made by them to submit the matter to arbitration was declined by the city. Legal proceedings were instituted by the city to condemn the property, and the Commissioners appointed to assess its value, assessed the damages at five hundred dollars for a strip of land on the south boundary of the property thirty feet wide and eleven hundred feet long; the same being the portion of the property condemned for the extension of the street. Deeming this amount much less than its real value, the Trustees took an appeal from the decision of the Commissioners to the City Court of Montgomery, where said appeal is now pending.

The Trustees deem it inexpedient to divide the Hamner Hall property into lots, or to sell the same, until this proceeding is terminated.

The Trustees took possession of Hamner Hall on the first of July, after the lease of Rev. Geo. M. Everhart, D. D., expired. In settling the rent with him, they made an abatement of thirty dollars on account of some improvements which he had made. They found the buildings very much out of repair, and in order to make them habitable, had to expend about two hundred dollars in roofing and other repairs. The place was rented for one year, from October 1st to September 30th, 1890, to Messrs. John W. Kenney and J. P. McAulley, for six hundred dollars, with the approval of the Bishop. It is used as a private boarding house and school.

The bonds of the city of Selma, numbers 52, 53, 54 and 116, amounting to $2,500 principal, and $1,525.44 past due interest, aggregating $4,025.44, were funded in new four per cent bonds of said city. The excess of $24.44 interest, is held in a certificate of the Bond Commissioners.

One Alabama, Class A, Registered Bonds of $1,000, number 1271, has been added to the investment fund. The securities now consist of seventeen Registered Alabama Bonds, Class A, $1,000 each, and one Coupon Bond, Class A, for $500, amounting to $17,500, and eight four per cent. city of Selma Bonds, numbers 441, 442, 443, 444, 445, 446, 447 and 448, each for $500, amounting to $4,000, and aggregating $21,500. These, with the Hamner Hall property, represent the corpus of the fund.

A review of there ports of the Treasurer discloses the fact that the sum of a little more than $13,000 has been collected, and realized from the old assets which came into his hands after his election, in May 1868. This fund was re-invested, and is now represented by $21,560 in State and city bonds, and the Hamner Hall property, which was purchased for $7,000.

Respectfully submitted.

N. H. R. DAWSON,
J. H. FITTS,
H. C. TOMPKINS, } Trustees.

MONTGOMERY, ALA., MAY 20, 1890.

N. H. R. DAWSON, *Treasurer*,
In Account with THE TRUSTEES OF THE BISHOP'S FUND.

1889.	DR.	
May 21—To balance on hand at last Report		$ 720 00
July 1—To semi-annual interest, $16,500 Alabama Bonds		330 00
July 6—To rent of Hamner Hall 1888-'9		330 00
1890.		
Jan. 1—Semi-annual interest, $16,500 Alabama Bonds		330 00
Jan. 1—To semi-annual interest $4,000 Selma Bonds		80 00
Jan. 6—To rent Hamner Hall, Kenney & McAuley		149 97
Total		$2,139 97

1889.	Cr.	
June 22—By cash expenses of Trustees	$ 26	35
July 6—Cash paid G. A. Wilkins, Treasurer	720	00
Aug 24—Cash expenses to Montgomery	6	75
Sept. 6—Cash repairs to Hamner Hall	15	35
Sept. 7—Cash repairs to Hamner Hall	45	10
Sept. 24—Cash repairs to Hamner Hall	92	20
Sept. 30—Cash repairs to Hamner Hall	18	91
1890.		
Jan. 24—Cash, one Alabama Bond, No. 1,271	1060	00
Mar. 7—Cash repairs on Hamner Hall	18	75
By Cash on Hand	136	56
Total	$2,139	97

Selma, Ala., May 20, 1890.

[APPENDIX D.]

GEORGE A. WILKINS, *Treasurer,*

In Account with THE DIOCESE OF ALABAMA.

RECEIPTS 1889 AND 1890.

May 21, 1889—Cash Balance on Hand	$ 361	90
Assessments paid by the Parishes 1889 and 1890	3,833	50
Received from the Treasurer of the Bishop's Fund	720	00
Total	$4,915	40

DISBURSEMENTS.

The Rt. Rev. R. H. Wilmer, D. D. LL.D., salary as Bishop	$ 4,000	00
The Rt. Rev. R. H. Cobb, salary as Secretary	150	00
Mr. George A. Wilkins, salary as Treasurer	50	00
One-half Premium Life Insurance Bishop Wilmer	122	50
Mr. D. F. McCall, Printing 500 Journals Council of '88-90	154	07
The Sexton of St. Mary's Church, Birmingham, Alabama	15	00
Printing Parochial Reports, Order of Standing Committee	15	75
Printing for the Treasurer's office	10	00
Assessment paid the General Convention	132	00
Mailing Journals of the General Convention	12	00
May 20th, 1890, Cash balance on hand	254	08
Total	$4,915	40

SELMA, ALA., May 19th, 1890.

To the Finance Committee of the P. E. Church, the Diocese of Alabama:

This is to certify that Mr. George A. Wilkins, as Treasurer of the Diocese of Alabama, has to his credit on the books of this bank the sum of $173 08, at the close of business this Monday evening May the 20th, 1890. Yours very truly,

A. E. BAKER,

Cashier The Commercial Bank of Selma, Alabama

[APPENDIX E.]

CHARLES E. WALLER, *Treas'r, in Account with* DIOCESAN MISSIONS.

1889-90. DR.

May 23, 1889—To cash on hand as last report		$ 603 52
May 21, 1890—To receipts since last report—		
Anniston, Grace Parish	$ 500 00	
Auburn, Parish of the Holy Innocents	38 95	
Birmingham, Parish of the Advent	107 50	
Boligee, Mission	21 70	
Carlowville, St. Paul's Parish	135 69	
Decatur, St. Paul's Parish	17 85	
Demopolis, Trinity Parish	15 75	
Eufaula, St. James' Parish	20 00	
Faunsdale, St. Michael's Parish	16 85	
Florence, Trinity Parish	20 25	
Gadsden, Mission	5 75	
Gallion, St. Andrew's Parish	34 20	
Greensboro, St. Paul's Parish	360 50	
Greenville, St. Thomas' Parish	30 00	
Haneville, St. Andrew's Parish	2 50	
Huntsville, Parish of the Nativity	305 24	
Jacksonville. St. Luke's Parish	53 55	
Livingston, St. James' Parish	4 00	
Lowndesboro, St. Paul's Parish	2 50	
Mobile, Christ Church Psrish	363 65	
Mobile, Trinity Parish	263 65	
Mobile, St. John's Parish	60 00	
Montgomery, St. John's Parish	460 00	
Montgomery, Parish of the Holy Comforter	101 65	
Montevallo, Mission	4 00	
Opelika, Emmanuel Parish	25 15	
Selma, St. Paul's Parish	121 95	
Scottsboro, St. Luke's Parish	6 10	
Tallassee, St. Peter's Parish	3 00	
Tilden, Grace Parish	5 00	
Trinity, Grace Parish	33 50	
Tuscaloosa, Christ Church Parish	250 00	
Tuscumbia, St. John's Parish	53 60	—$3,444 03
		$4,047 55

1889-90 CR.

May 22, 1890.—By Rev. DeB Waddell	$ 100 00	
By Rev. J. C. Johnes	75 00	
By Rev. G. M. Everhart, D. D.	41 65	
By Rev. G. R. Upton	100 00	
By Rev. W. T. Allen	400 00	
By Rev. B. F. Mower	200 00	
By Rev. J. F. Smith	500 00	
By Rev. L. H. Snell	137 50	
By Rev. F. B. Lee	200 00	
By Rev. W. C. Whittaker	300 00	
By Rev. R. J. Walker	400 00	
By Rev. W. R. Dye	200 00	
By Rev. Charles E. Cabiness	500 00	
By Postage, exchange, &c	9 93	—$3,164 08
By cash on hand to balance		883 47
		$4,047 55

[APPENDIX F.]

HENRY A. LOWE, *Treasurer*,

In Account with THEOLOGICAL DEPARTMENT, UNIVERSITY OF THE SOUTH.

1889.	DR.		
	Balance on hand last Report	$ 45	
May 13	To Amt. from Trinity Church, Demopolis	20 00	
July 1	To Amt. from Trinity Church, Mobile	10 00	
Oct. 1	To Amt. from Church of Advent, Birmingham	10 00	
Dec. 5	To Amt. from St. Paul's, Greensboro	25 00	
Dec. 31	To Amt. from Christ Church, Mobile	29 00	
1890.			
Jan. 12	To Amt. from Church of Advent, Birmingham	12 75	
Feb. 22	To Amt. from Church of Nativity, Huntsville	10 00	$117 20
1889.	CR.		
May 13	By Amt. remitted Rev. W. P. DuBose, Sewanee	$ 20 00	
Dec. 7	" " " " " " "	45 00	
Dec. 31	" " " " " " "	29 00	
1890.			
Jan. 13	" " " " " " "	12 65	
Feb. 22	" " " " " " "	10 00	$116 75
	Balance on hand		$ 45

Respectfully submitted, H. A. LOWE, JR.,
for H. A. LOWE, Deceased.

Mobile, May 16, 1890.

[APPENDIX G.]

MONTGOMERY, ALA., MAY 20, 1890.

To the Rt. Rev. R. H. Wilmer, President of the Council:

DEAR SIR—I take pleasure in reporting the following papers received since my last report:

1. Warranty deed from Elyton Land Company for lot for the Church of the Advent, Birmingham, Ala.

2. Deed from the Rector and vestry of Trinity Church Parish of the church property in Florence, Ala.

3. Articles of Association of St. Mary's Parish, South Highlands, Birmingham, Ala.

4. Deed from F. C. Randolph to church lot in Clanton, Ala.

5. Deed from Sarah J. Dunkland et al., to church lot in Auburn, Ala.

6. Request to Consecrate the "Chapel of the Holy Innocents," Auburn, Ala.

7. The sentence of Consecration of the "Chapel of the Holy Innocents," Auburn, Ala.

8. Articles of Association of the Parish of "Grace Church," Sheffield, Ala.

9. Articles of Association of the Parish of "St. Peter's Church," Bon Secour, Ala.

10. Requests to Consecrate "St. John's in the Prairies,' Forkland, Ala.

11. The sentence of Consecration of "St. John's in the Prairies," Forkland, Ala.

12. The sentence of Consecration of "Memorial Chapel," Huntsville. Ala.

13. The sentence of Consecration of "St. Peter's Church," Bon Secour, Ala.

14. Deed from Avondale Land Company to lot in Avondale, Ala., for benefit of "Christ Church" at Avondale, Ala.

15. Warranty deed from O. W. Wood and wife to lot in Woodlawn, Ala., for the benefit of "Calvary Church," Woodlawn.

16. Copies of deeds (2) to property of St. Peter's Church, Lowndes county, Ala. Respectfully submitted,

T. GARDNER FOSTER, *Registrar.*

[APPENDIX II.]

Canon of the Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen.

SECTION I. It shall be the duty of every Minister having charge of a congregation of this Diocese, to make at least one annual collection for the relief of Clergymen disabled by age or disease.

SEC. II. All contributions and donations for this object shall be transmitted to the Treasurer of "The Trustees of the Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen."

SEC. III. All collections and all donations not limited by the donor, received during the Conventional year, shall be subject to the order of "The Trustees of the Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen," and may be appropriated by said Trustees for the relief of Clergymen disabled by age, accident, or disease, who have been canonically connected with the Diocese for the two years immediately preceding their application for relief, and have spent at least two successive years within the limits of the Diocese in the active discharge of the duties of the Ministry, or in the work of Christian education. Clergymen to whom appropriations are made under this Section shall be known as "Special Annuitants," and shall not receive more than three hundred dollars in any one year.

SEC. IV. The Trustees shall have power to appropriate from the collections received during the year, a sum not exceeding seventy-five dollars towards defraying the funeral expenses of any Clergyman of the Church.

SEC. V. All appropriations (unless otherwise ordered) shall be payable semi-annually, on the first day of May and November, and all moneys unappropriated at the end of each Conventional year shall be paid into a fund, which shall be known as the "Permanent Fund," and shall be kept

safely invested. The interest accruing on the existing capital fund, now in the hands of the Treasurer of the Convention, shall be permitted to accumulate. All accumulations shall be safely invested by the Trustees of the Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, and added to the Permanent Fund until the same shall, with the existing capital fund, reach the sum of thirty thousand dollars.

SEC. VI. All legacies and all donations limited by the donor, paid to the Trustees, shall be used and applied by them agreeably to the terms and provisions under which the money is received; and when not otherwise directed by the donor, the legacy or donation shall be added to the "Permanent Fund," and the income thereof alone used.

As soon as said Funds shall reach the sum of thirty thousand dollars, the Trustees shall grant an annuity to every Clergyman who (1) has reached the age of sixty-five years, and (2) has been canonically connected with the Diocese for the five years immediately preceding his application for an annuity, and (3) has been for at least five years of his last term of canonical residence a settled Minister of the Diocese, or a Missionary duly appointed by the Ecclesiastical Authority.

The interest received from said Funds shall be divided equally among the Clergymen entitled to receive an annuity under the terms and provisions of the previous paragraph of this Section, and if this interest shall not be sufficient to give to each Clergyman the sum of three hundred dollars, then the balance of collections and donations remaining after the "Special Annuitants" are provided for, shall be used to increase the annuity to said sum.

Clergymen receiving an annuity under this Section, which shall in no case exceed one thousand dollars, shall be known as "Regular Annuitants."

H. STRINGFELLOW, *Chairman.*

[APPENDIX I.]

Amendments.

Amendments to the Constitution Reported by the Standing Committee in 1889.—Adopted by the Council of 1890.—To be Considered Again by Council of 1891.

In the Constitution, amend Article III., Section entitled "Lay Members," to read as follows: The Laymen shall consist of any number of Deputies not exceeding five from each Parish, and one from each organized Mission, in union with this Council, chosen from the male communicants of full age.

Amend Article VI., on *Methods of Voting*, by inserting after the words "shall be decisive," this sentence: But in a vote by orders, the Deputies from Missions shall not be counted.

Amend Article IX. so that it shall read as follows: The Standing Committee required by the Canons of the General Convention shall consist of three clergymen and three lay communicants. Shall be elected by ballot at each annual meeting of the Council and shall hold office until their successors are elected. Vacancies in the committee shall be filled by the remaining members. A majority shall be a quorum. All traveling, publishing and other necessary expenses of the Committee shall be paid by the Treasurer of the Diocese, upon the requisition of the President of the Committee.

Insert two Articles, to be numbered XI. and XII., and make the present Article XI. Article XIII.

ARTICLE XI.

Of Parishes.

A Parish may be admitted into union with this Council upon the following conditions:

(*a*). It shall be incorporated under the laws of the State of Alabama and shall lay a copy of its Charter, or Articles of Association, before the Council, acknowledging and acceding to the doctrines, discipline and worship of the Protestant Episcopal Church, in the Diocese of Alabama, signed by not less than fifteen communicants, of who n at least five shall be males of full age.

(*b*). It shall be organized by the election of not less than three nor more than eleven vestrymen, who shall be male communicants of twenty-one years of age, in good standing, who shall have designated two of their number as wardens, according to methods recognized by their Articles or By-Laws; and shall have a Secretary and Treasurer.

(*c*). It shall have sustained, at its own cost, the regular and sole ministrations of a presbyter or deacon, as its minister or rector, for at least six months prior to its application.

(*d*). It shall lay before the Council satisfactory evidence of its ability and purpose to support a regular minister; to provide a suitable church building, and to bear its proportion of the expenses of the D ocese.

ARTICLE XII.

Of Organized Missions.

A mission may be admitted into union with and taken under charge of this Council.

(*a*). It shall lay before the Council, Articles of Association, acknowledging and acceding to the doctrines, discipline and worship of the Protestant Episcopal Church, in the Diocese of Alabama, and signed by not less than ten communicants, of whom at least three shall be males of full age.

(*b*). It shall be organized by the election or appointment of a Warden, a Clerk and a Treasurer, whose duties shall be similar to those of Parishes. It shall also adopt a suitable name.

(*c*). They shall state the amount of stipend they are prepared to pay to a missionary.

(*d*). Its property, if any, shall be vested in trust in the Bishop of the Diocese and his successors in office.

Of Mission Stations.

Places where services are held, but where the church is not strong enough for organization, should be reported to the Council by the missionary in charge, or by the Dean or Arch Deacon, or by the Bishop, as mission stations, and a layman there resident should be appointed by the clergyman in charge, or by the Bishop, to make report according to the provisions of the canon on Parochial Reports.

[APPENDIX J.]

Amendments to Canons to be Considered at the Next Council.

Title I., Canon I.: Strike out Section 1.

Section 2 (*b*) Amend by adding the words: "When the Council is voting by Orders"

Canon VI. Add this clause: "Vacancies occurring after the adjournment of the Council next preceding the meeting of the General Convention shall be filled by appointment of the Bishop."

Canon VIII., Section I. After the words, "not more than eleven members," insert the words "who shall be male Communicants of full age and in good standing," and

Strike out Section 5.

Amend Section 4 to read as follows:

Qualifications of Voters.

"In every Parish the voters, where not otherwise determined by legal statute, shall be male persons of full age, belonging to the Parish or congregation, who have been baptized, and who have been regular contributors to the support of the Parish or Congregation for not less than six months prior to such voting."

Amend Section 9 to read as follows:

"There shall be held at least four regular Vestry meeting in each year, one of which shall be in Easter tide and the others quarterly thereafter."

Title IV. Canon II. Section 2: Amend to read as follows:

"No proposed alteration of, or addition to the Canons, shall be considered by the Council, unless by unanimous consent, without one day's notice thereof in open Council: nor shall such alteration or addition be adopted during the same Council, if two-thirds of those present and voting shall not concur therein. If the proposed alteration or addition be affirmed by a majority, but not by two-thirds of those voting, then the measuae shall lie over until the next Annual Council, and if again affirmed by a majority vote, it shall take effect as the action of the Council."

[APPENDIX K.]

Proceedings of the Society for Relief of Disabled Clergymen, Etc.

MONTGOMERY, MAY 21, 1890.

The Society was called to order by Rev. J. L. Tucker, D. D., as Chairman. A quorum was found to be present, and the Rev. R. H. Cobbs was nominated and elected Secretary.

The Executive Committee reported that they had instructed the Treasurer to pay—

To Rev. F. B. Lee	$100 00
" Mrs. Porter	50 00
" The Misses Ticknor	50 00
" Mrs. J. M. Robertson	50 00
" Miss Mary Robertson	50 00
Total	$300 00

The Treasurer presented his report, which was read, and on motion, referred to Mr. C. E. Waller, as a committee of one, to be examined and audited. This committee reported that the Treasurer's account was, in all points, correct, which report was received and concurred in.

Mr. R. M. Nelson was nominated and elected Treasurer of the Society.

Rev. R. W. Barnwell and Mr. C. E. Waller were elected members of the Executive Committee.

Messrs. R. M. Nelson and C. E. Waller were appointed to examine into the claim advanced by Rev. Dr. Sansom, of Mississippi, and report to the Society.

On motion, the Council adjourned *sine die*.

R. H. COBBS, *Sec'y*. J. L. TUCKER, *Ch'n*.

R. M. NELSON, *Treasurer, in Account with*

THE SOCIETY FOR THE RELIEF OF DISABLED CLERGYMEN, AND WIDOWS AND ORPHANS OF DECEASED CLERGYMEN.

1889.	DR.	
May 21—To balance on hand report this day	$	807 06
28—To St. Paul's, Carlowville		88 25
23—To collections in St. Mary's, Birmingham		30 00
Trinity Church, Mobile		15 00
C. E. Waller, Annual Dues, 1889		5 00
Henry A. Jones, " " "		5 00
Henry C. Tompkins, Annual Dues		5 00
Dec. 18—To St. Paul's, Greensboro		5 00
St. Andrew's, Gallion		3 00
Dec. 27—To Trinity, Demopolis		26 30
Church of Advent, Birmingham		39 12
Christ Church, Tuskaloosa		18 85
St. James', Eufaula		9 27
Carried Forward	$	1,056 85

	Brought Forward	$1,056 85	
1890.			
Feb. 24	—To Church of Nativity, Huntsville	35 00	
Apr. 10	—To St. John's, Montgomery	20 00	
Apr. 25	—To St. Paul's, Carlowville	10 80	
May 3	—To Trinity Church, Mobile	15 90	
Jan. 1	—To collections of $3,500; 6% Ala. Bonds	3,500 00	
	Interest for one year on same	210 00	
	Interest for six months No. 723 Ala	15 00	
	Interest for one year on 13,000 Reg. 4%.	520 00	$5,303 55

CR.

June 7	—By cash to Rev. F. B. Lee (order Ex. Com..	$ 100 00	
	Mrs. Porter, " " "	50 00	
	the Misses Tichnor, " "	50 00	
	Mrs. J. M. Robertson, " "	50 00	
	Miss Mary Robertson, " "	50 00	
	Class C Bonds, 178	1,040 00	
Jan. 7	—By cash to Class C Bonds. 336	1,040 00	
	Class C Bonds, 623	1,040 00	
	Class A Registered 1,417	1,065 00	
	Registering above	72	$4,485 72
May 20, 1890	—Balance on hand		$ 817 83
	Total		$5,303 55

ASSETS.

1 Alabama Bond, Series B, 6%, No. 723	$ 500 00
14 Registered Alabama Bonds, Class A, Nos. 437, 438, 439, 440, 441, 442, 443, 518, 519, 517, 873, 874, 1,359, 1,417, each $1,000	14,000 00
3 Class C Alabama Bonds, Nos. 178, 336, 623	3,000 00
Total	$17,500 00

[APPENDIX L.]

Report of the Committee on Parochial Reports.

The Parochial Reports of this year show a decided advance on those of any former year, in the care with which the greater number of them were compiled. It is manifest that the Clergy comprehend much better than heretofore what a good report ought to be, and that they have this year taken much more pains to reach the standard set by the form. The blank form is not theoretically perfect, being much less comprehensive than it might be; but it is good, and covers all the information that the present prevailing style of Register enables the Clergy to keep on record. With a good Parish Register the report could be made in two or three hours; but the old-fashioned, incomplete Register, little more than an ordinary blank book, which is all that most of our Parishes have, must in many instances have compelled days of labor and research to obtain the figures given. These figures show that the Diocese has advanced on all lines, not to any great extent, but fully as much as could have been expected.

FAMILIES.—The number of families last year was 2,318, with 54 Parishes reporting; the number this year is 2,566, with 60 Parishes reporting; an apparent increase of 248 families. But the Parishes which did not report last year have 151 families, most of which should have appeared in last year's total. Deducting this number from the 248 we have 97 families this year more than we had last year. On the other hand 109 families were lost during the year, a loss which had to be made good before there was any gain. There were therefore 206 families received during the year, with a net gain of 97. The reports indicate that there are no considerable changes in the country districts; but in some of the towns there would appear to be a good deal of activity either of pastoral labor or of incoming population. Anniston gains 34 families and loses 7, but with Oxford gains 42 families. Birmingham gains 44 families and loses 42, but with its outlying missions gains 76. We have no data to show whether St. Mary's here has gained or lost. Montgomery, with 2 Parishes, gains 16 families and loses 5; Mobile, with 4 Parishes, gains 64 families and loses 18. For totals we have in Anniston, 137 families; in Birmingham, 316, and in the missions near that city 44; in Huntsville, 113; in Montgomery, 276; and in Mobile, 716 families. These figures show that the Church has by far its greatest strength, relative to population, in Mobile.

PARISHIONERS.—The figures here are not accurate enough to base any computations upon. One Parish gains 7 families, but reports the same number of parishioners as last year; another with 20 families reports 100 parishioners, or 5 to the family, which is too many; another gains 2 families but loses 200 parishioners; another gains 4 families, but only adds 2 parishioners to its list; another adds 7 families, but loses 100 parishioners. Evidently these discrepancies are caused by an effort on the part of the Clergy to correct their figures of last year, and hence is a good sign. Many of the figures given are still wild estimates, guesses at truth; and as is usual with such guesses, are exaggerations. A new system of book-keeping is greatly needed, for many of the old Registers are so defectively planned that correct entries cannot be made in them nor correct footing taken from them.

COMMUNICANTS.—The number of communicants as given in the reports was, in 1888, 4,985; in 1889, 5,409; and this year, 5,777. Thus the apparent increase last year was 424, and this year 368. The real increase is much smaller, however, because the reports are each year made more carefully. Reports were received this year from several places that were not heard from for several previous years, adding about 180 to the total. This would leave 188 as the true increase. But the losses had first to be made up, and these were—by death, 84; by removal, 264; dropped, 72; a total loss of 460. Thus this list has added first 469 persons to make up its losses, and then 188 as net increase; a total of 648 names. Of these, 181 were added by confirmation; 21 by admission; 325 by removal into the Diocese; and 121 in ways not specified. A number of instances of this last may be seen in the tabular statement, where a total gain is re-

ported, but the columns of specification, *Confirmation*, *Admission*, *Removal*, are left blank. The losses this year under each head are more considerable than those of last year; for instance, last year 73 communicants died, this year 84; last year 202 were lost by removal, this year 264; last year 6 names were dropped from the lists, this year 72; an excess of loss this year of 139. On the other hand the numbers added were much smaller; for instance, last year 429 were gained by confirmation, this year 181; last year 90 were admitted to communion, this year 21; last year 229 moved into our Parishes, this year 325, or in all, 221 less gain. Thus the year has not been a prosperous year, yet our increase has been nearly 3½ per cent.; last year it was 12½ per cent. One considerable item of loss does not belong wholly to this year. It would be an unusual thing if, out of 5,000 communicants, 72 were really dropped in one year. This large number was probably caused by more careful revision of the lists of communicants by many Rectors, in order to make more accurate reports. Names were found of persons who could not themselves be found. When a Clergyman takes charge of a Parish he needs a year, perhaps several years, to become acquainted with all of his communicants. In a large city Parish of 400 or 500 or more communicants, it will require four or five years, and often the Rector never does thoroughly know them all. Meantime changes take place. Persons die away from home, families and individuals remove and give him no notice. He does not like to drop any names without evidence, because he may thereby be unjustly depriving some worthy persons of enrollment in the Church; and evidence is often difficult to procure. So he carries the names on his list, hoping sometime to meet the persons or to obtain accurate information concerning them. The more careful attention given to statistics in our Diocese during the last few years, especially this last year, has probably caused the dropping of many names heretofore carried. We may expect this cause to operate for a few years longer, and the number "*dropped*" to be above the normal until we reach a fairly accurate basis. The question is often asked "What constitutes a Communicant?" The nearest approach to an authoritive decision of this question may be found on page 345 of the Journal of the General Convention of 1889, in a report of the Committee on the State of the Church; which report was adopted by that large and important Committee after full discussion, and was given by the General Convention *as its answer* to a memorial from the Diocese of Massachusetts. We ask leave to embody this report here for the information of our own Clergy: "The Committee are of the opinion that all persons should be enrolled and reported as communicants who have been confirmed, and have made one communion. They hold it to be unwise to impose conditions of parochial membership on communicants, which the Church has not laid down in the Prayer Book, as conditions of membership as communicants in the Church at large. Having once been enrolled on the books of any Parish, a communicant removing to another Parish should be regularly transferred, as provided by Title I. Canon XII. Section 1. If a communicant shall have left the Parish of his

enrollment without procuring such letter of transfer, or if he shall have withdrawn from his place of residence beyond the knowledge of the officers of the Parish, his name may be dropped. But no less cause than a legally executed ex-communication should serve to erase his name from the list of communicants, when known to be still a resident in the Parish of his enrollment. *The rights of the laity to enrollment in the Church are as sacred as those of the Clergy.* A communicant may be placed under censure, or even be temporarially suspended, but he is still a communicant; and his name should not be stricken from the Register of his Parish *without due process of law.*"

ANNALYSIS OF COMMUNICANTS.—While these columns are more full than last year, they are not yet full enough to derive the information from them that would be useful to us; yet some items of interest can be gleaned from them. The question regarding sex were answered last year for 2,044 communicants, this year for 2,667, or nearly half the whole number. Of the 2,667, 859 are males, or very nearly one-third. The increased reports hold more nearly to this proposition than we had feared. It would be a great thing should it finally appear that one-third of our whole communicant list were males, for it would show that the Episcopal Church is far more the Church of men than any other in Alabama. We must urge the Clergy to give more attention to this analysis next year. One thousand nine hundred and forty-nine communicants are divided into adults and minors, and of these 1,632 are adults. Only 8 Parishes have any colored communicants; there would appear to be but 78 of this class in the Diocese, of whom 64 are in the Good Shepherd Mission in Mobile. Last year this Mission had 51, an increase of 13. Last year 11 Parishes answered these questions with fair fullness; this year 20. Last year 20 reports out of 53 made no attempt to answer, this year 28 out of 64; 7 answers only 1 question, 1 answers 2 questions, 7 answer 3 questions, 4 answer 4 questions. The information given will grow more interesting, as year by year the answers become more full.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS.—Forty-seven places report schools, eighteen do not. In the 47 reporting there are 368 teachers, the same number of schools and teachers as last year, and 98 other officers against 64 last year; and there are 3,016 pupils which is 203 more than last year. There are 4 Mission Sunday Schools in the Diocese, or one more than last year. Two of these are in Anniston, one in Birmingham and one in Tuskaloosa; they have 21 teachers and 118 pupils; last year there were 204 pupils in 3 schools. There are 3 day schools reported this year, 2 in Anniston and 1 in Tuskaloosa, with 9 teachers and 148 pupils. There is a school of this kind belonging to the Good Shepherd Mission in Mobile; but for some reason it is not reported this year by the Missionary in charge.

PARISH SOCIETIES.—There are 68 societies of the laity in the Diocese, in 34 Parishes. Of these 6 do not give their number of members, but the 62 who do, have 1,762 members. We estimated last year that 62 societies would have "at least 1,716 members," which is closely borne out by the

actual reports of this year. We may suppose that the six who do not report this year will carry the total up to 1,850. These societies did good work for the Church, as will be seen under the head "Sources of Income."

BAPTISMS.—Of 64 reports tabulated this year 20 contain no mention of baptisms. In the 44 reporting there were 457 persons baptized, against 465 last year, and 490 the year before. Of the 457, 70 were adults, and 387 infants. Last year 13 were not specified, this year more care has been taken with the reports. One Parish reports 93 baptisms, or more than one-fifth of the number in the whole Diocese.

MINISTERIAL OFFICES.—There were 949 public celebrations of the Holy Communion, and 105 private celebrations this year, against 899 and 83 last year, and 805 and 74 the year before. Fifiteen places do not report on this subject; of these some are vacant, and others are served by Deacons who cannot celebrate. There were 140 mariages this year, against 109 last year; a slight increase, but gratifying to the wives of the Clergy who get the fees; but 43 of these were in one Parish, leaving less than 100 marriages for the rest of the Diocese. There were 209 burials this year, against 245 last year, and 50 of these were in one Parish. Thirty places report no burials, yet one of these lost 1 communicant by death, and another lost 4 communicants. These death probably occurred in Missions during the absence of the missionary.

CONFIRMATIONS.—Two hundred and ten persons were confirmed during the year, or less than half the number of last year; but this was owing to the extreme and prolonged sickness of the Bishop during a greater part of the winter and spring, during which he was unable to make visitations. Of the 210, 63 were males, 83 females, and 64 not specified; 98 were adults, 48 minors, and the same 64 not speeified; 14 were colored persons; 68 were from other religious bodies, and 64 were heads of families; the same 64 not being specified in these particulars also. But although 210 persons are reported as having been confirmed, only 181 are added to the lists of communicants by confirmation. It would appear, therefore, that 29 persons are held back by their Rectors from communion immediately after confirmation. The 29 are divided between five places, and 14 of them are in one place. This may be owing to carelessness in making out the reports, but it may be owing to some peculiar idea of the Rectors with regard to preparation for first communion.

FINANCIAL SUMMARY.

SOURCES OF INCOME.—Five Parishes this year report themselves as supported by pew rents, but one of them, Trinity Church, Mobile, on January 1 changed its methods and declared its pews free, so that the number remains four, as last year. The amount raised by pew rents this year was, omitting fractions, $13,000; and by subscriptions, $29,000. The two methods taken together last year produced $40,672.23; and this year $42,-656.82; showing an increase of regular revenue of $1,984.59; or about two thousand dollars. The communion alms this year amount to $2,843.89;

or more than $400 more than last year. The sum raised by Guilds and Societies this year is $12,144.64, which is $1,437.48 more than last year. This amount should be larger, for 13 places report societies of laity, but do not give the amounts raised by them. These are Auburn, Bessemer, Brierfield, Decatur, Eufaula, Eutaw, Greensboro, Holy Comforter, Montgomery, Scottsboro, Trinity, Whistler, Avondale and Woodlawn. On the other hand five places did not answer the question asking if they had any such societies, thereby really saying that they had none, yet report amounts raised by societies. This is, of course, the result of carelessness in making up the reports. These five places are marked by an O in the tabular statement, in the column headed "Guilds and Societies." These organizations hold $6,807.31 in their treasuries for future work. Gifts in money to the amount of $6,240.46 were made to the various Parishes and Missions during the year; as also other gifts to the value of $4,377.09. The Sunday Schools raised $3,958.69; or $319.06 more than last year; but 14 Sunday Schools do not report any amounts as offerings contributed by them. On the other hand, by some extraordinary slip, one Parish reports no Sunday School, yet gives $310.17 as the amount of S. S. offerings. Under the head of "Borrowed" are a few amounts which the Committee inserted to force a balance, when the column "All Other Sources" was already filled. Parishes that spend money must get it from somewhere, and if from nowhere else it must have been borrowed; so the Committee reasoned; hence, when the amount expended only slightly exceeded the amount received, a balance was made for the Rector by the Committee by inserting the needed deficit in "Other Sources" when they could be used; and by "borrowing" when it could not. The total income of all the Parishes and Missions in the Diocese is $125,178.86; with 8 places not reporting. The total income last year was $84,890.67; the increased income this year, therefore, is the somewhat surprising amount of $40,288.19. It is true that twelve more places report income this year than last, but with one exception these are minor places and the income small. There were no large gifts this year as there were last year and the year before. Last year, with a total income of $84,890.67, the gifts were $11,686.89; and in 1888, with a total income of $126,603.27, the gifts were $31,078.81. But this year with a total income of $125,178.86, the gifts are only $10,617.55. Although this sum is nearly equal to that of last year, yet the amounts were smaller and the gifts more numerous. Manifestly our people have generally given more than usual to the Church this year.

EXPENDITURES.

General Objects.—Foreign and Domestic Missions received from Alabama during the year $463.89, against $702.21 last year; an inexplicable decrease of $238.32. The Good Friday collection for the Jews amounted to $159.20, against $120.68 last year; a slight increase; 17 Parishes contributed this year against 15 last year. Other general objects received $182.01; that one cent is probably the herald of the advent of copper pen-

nies among us. The total amount given by Alabama for general Church purposes is $803.10, against $1,110.50 last year.

Diocesan Objects.—The amount paid upon the assessments ordered by the Council is $3,775, with twenty places not reporting. The Treasurer's report shows a much larger amount received by him; the Committee cannot, at this writing, say how much. Last year the Treasurer reported as received from Parishes, $4,190, while the Parochial Reports only gave $3,920 as paid, a difference of $270 omitted by the inaccuracy of those making up the reports. The Parochial Reports close on the 1st of May, while the Treasurer's Report covers some weeks more time; but amounts paid after May 1st should go over to another year in the Parochial Reports, and so bring the footing more nearly even. Diocesan Missions received $3,427.59, an increase of $184.41. Last year the Treasurer of this fund received $644.73 from Parishes more than the Parochial Reports claimed to have given him. In this fund, also, amounts paid after May 1st, and before the Council, should be carried to another year. The amount given to the Church Home from the whole Diocese is $1,699.01, of which $1,387. 51 was given by the Mobile Parishes. This is an increase of $390.96 over last year; the Diocese outside of Mobile giving $311.50 this year against $109.05 last year.

For the Theological Department of the University of the South the Diocese gave $156.47, against $146.95 last year, and $159.87 the year before; amounts which are practically the same, averaging a little over $150. Eight Parishes contributed to this fund, against nine last year. The fund for the relief of disabled clergy and for the widows and orphans of deceased clergy received $223.64 from the Parishes this year, against $162.59 last year. The total sum given for Diocesan objects this year is $9,285.71, with nineteen places not reporting any amounts given. Last year the total was $9,404.27, and the year before $8,809.23.

Parochial Objects.—The Diocese gave for the support of the clergy this year, including the Bishop, $34,813.01, which is $3,413.82 more than last year. There are five more names on the clergy list than last year, but nineteen places appear to contribute nothing. The cost of maintaining worship in the minor items, classed as current expenses, was $10,218.15, with twenty-eight places not reporting. There were expended for repairs and improvements $10,281.52. The poor received $2,270.11, while the communion alms amounted to $2,843.89. This discrepancy is a remarkable one. The column "Communion Alms," under the head "Sources of Income," shows the amount given for the poor, that is, given primarily for charity; while the column "Expended for the Poor," under the head, "Expended for Parochial Purposes," shows the amounts given to the poor. An analysis of these two columns may be made by any one, identifying the Parishes by the number on the left of the page. It appears that out of thirty-five Parishes, reporting a total of $2,843.89 of alms collected, twenty-one Parishes received $962.32, of which they gave nothing at all to the poor. Further, four other Parishes gave $288.45 less

than their alms; the two classes together making $1,250.77. This is a large sum. If any of these Parishes have no poor to care for they might send their alms to the Church Home, or divide between the Church Home and the Disabled Clergy fund; yet the poor are a class of people not usually difficult to find. It sometimes happens that a Parish has its own prosperity greatly increased when it begins to devise more liberal things for those whom "ye have always with you." On the other hand we find that six parishes gave more than their communion alms to the poor, these amounts aggregating $455. An analysis of the Church Home column shows that these Parishes gave the greater part which that charity received, making some $1,400 or $1,500 more than their communion alms. No doubt some part of this result is due to carelessness, for several of the reports were made out, in full or in part, after the clergy reached the Council; a method which rendered accuracy impossible. There was expended for Sunday-schools $1,394.55, while the Sunday-school offerings were $3,958.69; which shows that the Sunday-schools gave to their Parishes $2,564.14 more than they received. This indicates that the money spent on Sunday-schools is a good investment financially, returning nearly double the amount expended. Missionary work within the Parishes cost $771.25, and is divided mainly between two Parishes—Grace Church, Anniston, and St. Paul's, Selma. The Church of the Advent, Birmingham, spent the largest amount this year in new buildings, giving $5,000 for that purpose. Hayneville, expended $1,700. The total for the whole Diocese is $8,599.42. Altogether the whole amount expended for Parochial purposes is this year $102,574.65, against $76,857.78 last year.

Arrearages.—Very considerable amounts were paid on debts this year, the aggregate being $12,189.31. Of this $60 was interest; $11,379.05 payment of principal; $612.76 paid to rectors, and $137.50 paid to the Diocese.

Balance.—The total income of all the Parishes and Missions this year was $125,078.86, and the total expenditure $125,057.20; amounts which do not balance each other, but come very much nearer than ever before. This near approach represents an amount of labor on the part of this Committee which cannot be described in words, nor understood by those who are careless in making out their reports. It also represents a most gratifying increase of care on the part of a large number of the clergy, and a general appreciation through the Diocese of the value of statistical information. The improvement is so marked that we confidently expect an easier task next year, and hope to be able to make this report more interesting and more valuable.

Present Condition.—There is but one mortgage debt in the Diocese, and that is but $1,000; the floating debts are also small, aggregating only $2,530. Unpaid salaries and assessments are but $341.37. We would call the attention of Treasurers of Parishes and rectors to two columns of figures, and ask them to make these more accurate next year. Under the

head of Parochial Expenditures is a column "Cash in Hand." This gives the unexpended balance in the hands of Parish Treasurers on the 1st day of May, of funds received during the year. Again, under the head of Present Condition, is a column "Cash in Treasury," which should include all of the former, and may include more, such as special collections brought forward from previous years, and not included in the income of this year, sinking funds, etc., not included under the head of trust funds. This increase will be, plain to those who have such funds; but all can understand that at least the balance on hand of cash for current expenses should be *repeated* in this column. A glance at the footings of these two columns will show that this has not been generally done; and each rector can detect, by his Parish number, the accuracy of his own report in this item.

Special funds held in trust amount to $31,643.15, of which one Parish has $20,000. Adding to this the funds held by Guilds and Societies, and we have $38,450.46 held by Parishes for their own uses. The Diocesan endowment funds amount to nearly $60,000, making over $98,000 of cash and securities held for the use of the church. Indeed, if we add the cash in the hands of Parish Treasurers, the amount would exceed $100,000. Assets due to date and not collected amount to $4,368.65. This is certainly an understatement. All unpaid subscriptions, unpaid pew rents, whatever Parish Treasurers count as assets, good, doubtful or bad, until definitely disposed of by payment or a charge to profit and loss, should be included in this column. One Parish reports $3,000 of such uncollected dues, and it is impossible that all the rest of the Diocese should have but $1,300 due and unpaid.

Insurance.—On over $600,000 worth of perishable property, there is insurance to the amount of $110,800. Last year the amount reported was only $61,700, held by nine places; this year eighteen places report insurance. Probably there is more insurance held than has yet been reported, yet we cannot resist the feeling that this matter is too much neglected in the Diocese.

Valuation of Property.—Forty-five places report church buildings to the value of $369,200. This is a great advance on the twenty-one churches and $173,950 of last year, but is still short of the truth. There are sixteen rectories reported this year against nine last year, and the valuation reaches $63,550. This is certainly an understatement, for this committee know of two or three rectories which are not named in their Parochial Reports. The same remark applies to chapels, chapter and school houses and other buildings. The reported value of these is $67,000, while if all were reported the value would be at least 50 per cent. greater. Fifteen places report real estate to the value of $61,290, but we miss Grace Church, Anniston, from this column. Last year this Parish gave us $35,000 as its valuation; an amount which, if the Parish still holds that property, would carry the total to nearly $100,000. To offset this omission, six places report this year which did not

report, or perhaps did not own, unimproved real estate last year. The organs, libraries and all other church furniture, are given at $43,432 by thirty-four places this year, against $27,271 by sixteen places last year. This again, is short of the truth, as will be seen by looking at the blanks in this column and noting the omissions made by several important Parishes. The aggregate valuation of all church property in the Diocese, as given by fifty Parishes and Missions, is $671,422, with eighteen places failing to report. Last year, with thirty-six places reporting and sixteen failing to report, the valuation was $536,671. Probably the true total is something short of $700,000.

Three columns are added to the tabular statements this year, giving the answers to the questions concerning incorporation, organization and ownership of property. As those columns give this information in a very clear form, your committee will not prolong this report by transcribing their statements.

In closing, your Committee congratulate the Council on the general increase of painstaking on the part of the clergy in making out their reports, yet must ask for more care on the part of a considerable number of them. The labor of tabulation was fully three times what it might have been, by reasons of errors and omissions easily avoided. The Committee respectfully ask the clergy to re-read the closing remarks in their report of last year.

Respectfully submitted,

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Report of Committee on Death of Mr. Henry A. Lowe.

On the 20th of March, 1890, Mr. HENRY A. LOWE departed this life, and entered into the rest which remaineth for the people of God.

Mr. Lowe was born in Liverpool, England, December 22, 1824, and came to this country in 1847. He settled in Mobile in 1849, where he spent the rest of his life. He was for twenty-seven years afflicted with a grievous disease, and during that time was never able to lie down. During the whole of his residence in Mobile he was a communicant of Christ Church in that city, served many years in its vestry, was often a member of the Diocesan Convention, and at the time of his death was, as he had been for years, an officer of the Diocese.

Mr. Lowe was one of those men who adorned the doctrine of God, our Saviour, in all things. Pure in mind and life, unobtrusive and earnest, he won and held the esteem of all who knew him. Ever ready to serve and never anxious to lead, he was always willing to do whatever lay in his power for his parish, his diocese, his church and his God. The word in season came readily from his lips, and he was never lax in bearing witness to the Light that was to him the Light of Life. Many souls have gone from us to Paradise, but none that had a surer, humbler, or more hopeful trust in Christ, our Redeemer. His death is a loss to the diocese, in whose affairs he always took the deepest and most intelligent interest. In the name of the diocese we sorrowfully place on record this tribute to his memory.

STATISTICAL SUMMARY.

	Parishes and Missions		Officers					Families				Parishioners			
	Locality	Name of Parish	Rector	Wardens	Treasurer	Clerk		Number Reported Last Year	Changes: Lost	Changes: Gained	Present Number of Families	Number Reported Last Year	Changes: Lost	Changes: Gained	Present Number of Parishioners
1	Anniston...	Grace Church .	P. A. Fitts.....	A. L. Tyler, Geo. Noble, Sr ...	L. W. Hammond .	V. H. Marshall .	1	110	7	14	117	372	...	...	372
2	Anniston...	St. Michael's ..	.....	J. W. Noble, O. H. Parker....	J. H. Noble	O. H. Parker...	2	....	...	...	20	.....	...	...	100
3	Athens	St. Timothy...	J. C. Johnes.....	.....	.....	.....	3	12	1	3	14	50	...	...	55
4	Auburn	Holy Innocents	W. C. Whittaker .	W. LeRoy Brown, J. S. Newman	Gen. J. H. Lane ..	J. B. McDonald.	4	7	1	3	9	54	6	12	60
5	Bessemer...	Trinity.....	J. A. VanHoose ..	Charles E. Morris.....	.....	.....	5	12	...	4	16	48	...	8	56
6	Birmingham	Advent.....	T. J. Beard	C. Wheelock, F. H. Armstrong	C. A. Garland	T. S. Forbes....	6	235	42	44	237	1,200	305	105	1,000
7	Birmingham	St. Mary's.....	L. W. Rose.....	Jno. White, R. C. Chisolm	John T. Meade....	H. L. Underwood	7	....	...	...	79	.....	...	...	.....
8	Brierfield ..	.....	J. F. Smith.....	.....	E. T. Peter.....	.....	8	8	1	...	7	30	5	...	25
9	Boligee	St. Mark's.....	W. R. Dye	.....	.....	.....	9	....	...	...	.....	.....	...	...	.....
10	Bon Secour.	St. Peter's.....	Percy W. Jones ..	John Miller, John Rohnwick...	Wm. Witt.....	Wm. Witt.....	0	2	.	4	16	67	...	16	83
11	Carlowville .	St. Paul's	F. B. Lee	J. D. Alison, R. J. Lide	J. D. Alison, Jr...	J. D. Alison, Jr.	1	24	.	4	28	108	2	2	108
12	Clayton	Grace Church..	E. W. Spalding...	.....	.....	.....	12	7	1	.	6	37	2	...	35
13	Coalburg...	.....	T. J. Beard.....	.....	.....	.....	13		.	.	.....	.....	...	...	.....
14	Columbia ..	St. Paul's	E. W. Spalding...	.....	.....	.....	4		.	.	4	.....	...	...	17
15	Dallas Co ..	Grace Church..	F. B. Lee.....	.....	.....	.....	5	2	.	.	12	52	...	...	52
16	Decatur	St. Paul's	J. C. Johnes.....	J. H. Gray, W. A. Bibb	W. H. Jarvis.	J. H. Gray.	16	48	3	10	55	192	121	21	92
17	Demopolis..	Trinity.....	J. A. Harrison....	E. H. C. Baily, J. R. Robertson	D. F. Prout	D. F. Prout	17	49	1	5	53	203	7	10	206
18	Eufaula	St. James'.....	E. W. Spalding...	H. R. Shorter, H. D. Clayton..	D. Thornton.....	D. Thornton....	18	36	2	2	36	162	5	3	160
19	Eutaw.	St. Stephen's ..	W. R. Dye.	B. B. Barnes, Jas. Banks.....	B. B. Barnes.	Jas. Banks.....	19	23	1	7	29	60	2	20	78
20	Evergreen ..	St. Mary's.....	G. R. Upton.....	P. D. Bowles, F. L. Hickox...	C. B. Savage.....	C. B. Savage....	20	9	...	.	9	36		...	35
21	Faunsdale ..	St. Michael's ..	Benj. Dennis.	John Minge, J. F. Watkins....	J. F. Watkins	Wm. Seldon....	21	26	...	.	26	113	..	...	113
22	Florence. ..	Trinity Church	B. F. Mower	R. L. Bliss, H. D. Lee	J. M. Patton.....	A. L. Ellett	22	27	4	4	27	68	12	4	160
23	Forkland ..	St. John's.	W. A. Stickney...	W. A. Glover, W. M. Glover ..	Miss A. Glover ...	S. Brasfield.....	23	9	1	2	10	36	6	...	30
24	Fork of Green	St. Mark's.....	W. R. Dye.....	E. F. Bouchelle	E. F. Bouchelle ..	.....	24	8	1	...	7	35	1	...	34
25	Gadsden....	Holy Comforter	W. G. Allen.....	W. T. Alexander.....	Otto Agricola.....	Otto Agricola...	25	17	8	1	10	69	29	...	40
26	Gainesville .	St. Albans'	.....	.....	.....	.....	26	....	...	...	.....	.....	...	...	.....

27	Gallion	St. Andrew's...	R. H. Cobbs	H. A. Taloe, R. H. Dugger....	R. H. Dugger.....	R. H. Dugger ..	27	6	...	...	6	24	...	...	2
28	Greensboro .	St. Paul's.....	R. H. Cobbs	A. S. Jeffries, R. H. Stickney .	C. E. Waller.....	C. Derrick.....	28	50	3	1	48	231	17	2	21
29	Greenville ..	St. Thomas' ...	G. R. Upton	D. G. Dunklin, E. Crenshaw ..	H. Wilson.....	H. Wilson.....	29	30	...	...	30	120	...	5	12
30	Hayneville .	St. Andrew's...	G. R. Upton	F. Clements	W. Brightman....	W. Brightman..	30	10	...	...	10	40	5	...	3
31	Huntsville..	Nativity.....	J. M. Banister	P. M. Dox, Jos. Mastin.....	L. Matthews.....	Irvine White....	31	116	5	2	113	440	20	6	42
32	Jacksonville	St. Luke's.....	W. G. Allen	Peyton Rowan	W. Dean.	W. Dean	32	15	1	1	15	71	9	5	6
33	Livingston .	St. James.....	W. R. Dye.	W. R. DeLoach, N. F. Randell	.....	.....	33	17	2	1	16	56	4	5	5
34	Lowndesboro	St. Paul's.....	G. R. Upton.....	Wm. Hall, C. Douglass	C. Douglass	C. Douglas	34	10	1	...	9	40	2	...	3
35	Macon	St. Andrew's ..	R. H. Cobbs.....	.....	.....	.....	35	6	...	...	6	24	...	...	2
36	Marion.....	St. Wilfrid's...	R. J. Walker	James Gregory, R. H. Evins ..	Dr. E. Lockhart ..	Dr. E. Lockhart	36	29	2	...	27	116	10	15	12
37	Martin's Station..	St. Luke's.....	R. J. Walker	.....	M. Martin, Jr.....	.....	37	8	...	2	10	29	...	21	5
38	Mobile.....	Christ Church .	J. L. Tucker.....	D. McNeill, H. A. Schroeder ..	J. L. Abbot, Jr ...	R. Middleton ...	38	145	1	10	154	624	11	34	64
39	Mobile.....	St. John's	G. C. Tucker	O. J. Semmes, W. J. McCowan	W. D. Matzenger .	Fred Graves	39	255	2	49	302	1,194	58	133	1,26
40	Mobile.....	Trinity Church.	J. L. Lancaster ...	H. T. Toulmin, W. J. McCoy..	A. M. Quigley	G. B. Cleveland.	40	215	...	...	200	1,020	...	...	65
41	Mobile.....	Good Shepherd.	A. W. Pierce	.....	Cæsar Stark	.....	41	55	...	5	60	200	...	80	28
42	Montevallo .	.....	J. F. Smith.....	.....	W. A. Brown.....	.....	42	7	1	...	6	24	...	...	2
43	Montgomery	Holy Comforter	Vardry McBee....	J. L. Cobb, T. G. Foster.....	N. H. Holmes	N. H. Holmes ..	43	60	...	6	66	300	10	38	32
44	Montgomery	St. John's.	H. Stringfellow...	Josiah Morris, Joel White.....	J. L. Cobbs, Jr ...	J. L. Cobbs, Jr .	44	205	5	10	210	1,000	...	...	1,00
45	Opelika	Emanuel Ch...	G. M. Everhart ...	Jas. Clayton, John L. Cowan..	A. B. Bennett	H. L. Bandy....	45	12	...	1	13	56	7	...	4
46	Prattville...	St. Mark's.....	J. F. Smith.....	T. W. Smith, T. C. Smith.....	T. M. Smith.....	T. M. Smith....	46	12	...	.	12	52	...	...	5
47	Piedmont ..	Christ Church .	W. G. Allen	.....	R. Dailey.....	.....	47	4	...	1	5	19	...	2	2
48	Pushmataha	Calvary Church	.....	.....	.....	.....	48	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
49	Selma	St. Paul's.	R. W. Barnwell...	Wm. Berg, N. H. R. Dawson..	G. E. Wilkins	Edw. P. Galt ...	49	101	5	8	104	462	38	16	44
50	Scottsboro..	St. Luke's.....	J. C. Johnes.....	.....	.....	.....	50	13	...	12	25	54	...	10	6
51	Sheffield....	Grace Church..	DeB. Waddell	R. C. Randolph, W. H. Jones .	R. C. Randolph...	W. H. Jones....	51	22	4	2	20	112	16	24	12
52	Talladega ..	St. Peter's.....	J. F. Smith.....	F. A. Gerrish, J. D. Laverty ..	J. S. Graves	F. A. Gerrish...	52	26	...	4	30	149	26	...	17
53	Trinity Sta..	Grace Church..	J. C. Johnes.....	D. L. Minor	G. G. Roop.....	E. G. Roop.. ..	53	11	1	...	10	54	...	...	4
54	Tuscumbia .	St. John's	DeB. Waddell	D. Hicks, B. Cooper	Miss S. C. Newsom	Miss S. C. Newsom	54	29	1	1	29	100	...	7	10
55	Tuskaloosa .	Christ Church .	J. H. Stringfellow.	J. H. Fitts, Alonzo Hill.....	R. Cochran.....	H. A. Jones	55	66	...	5	71	362	7	10	36
56	Troy.....	St. Mark's.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	56	8	...	...	8	33	...	...	3
57	Union Spr'gs	Trinity Church.	.....	.....	.....	.....	57	11	...	...	11	64	...	...	6
58	Uniontown..	Holy Cross	Benj. Dennis.....	Edwin Shields, J. M. Langhorne	Wm. Munford	J. H. Davidson .	58	28	...	...	28	120	...	2	12
59	Whistler....	St. Paul's.....	Percy W. Jones...	W. T. Sawyer, M. D., W. J. Jolley	Alfred Cox	.....	59	25	...	...	25	99	...	...	9
60	Spring Hill.	St. Paul's.....	The Bishop.....	.....	Richard Jones	.....	60	...	...	...	12	.....	...	...	6
61	Tilden	Grace Church..	F. B. Lee	J. B. Lang, J. Boykin....	.....	.....	61	12	1	1	12	52	5	10	5
62	Oxford . ..	.....	C. E. Cabiness....	.....	J. J. D. Hall	.....	62	...	...	...	8	.....	...	...	5
63	Avondale...	Christ Church .	J. A. VanHoose ..	.....	P. W. Weeks	.....	63	...	...	...	10	.....	...	...	3
64	Woodlawn..	Calvary Church	J. A. VanHoose ..	.....	J. H. Walden.....	.....	64	...	...	...	18	.....	...	...	4
								2318	109	229	2566	10,550	749	626	10,28

Number	Locality and Parish	Communicants: Number Reported Last Year	Loss: By Death	Loss: By Removal	Loss: Dropped	Loss: Total Loss	Gain: By Confirmation	Gain: By Admis'n	Gain: Removal into Parish	Gain: Total Gain	Present No. of Persons Legally Entitled to Commune	Analysis of Communicants: Male	Female	Adults	Minors	Colored	Relat'n to this List: No. who Seldom Commune	No. who Never Commune	Doubtful	Regular Communicants	Parish Institutions:	Sunday Schools: Teachers	Other Offic's	Pupils	Mn's Schools: No. Schools	Teachers	Pupils	Day Schools: No. Schools	Teachers	Pupils	Guilds: No. Guilds or Societ's	Number of Members
1	Anniston, Grace Church	268	2	9		11	25		18	43	300										1	9	3	60	2	11	63	2	8	125	2	20
2	Anniston, St. Michael's																				2	7	1	75								
3	Athens, St. Timothy	16								10	26	14	12	5	21						3	7		35								
4	Auburn, Holy Innocents	37		5		5			3	3	35	14	21	15	22		5	1	2	27	4	2	1	30							1	14
5	Bessemer, Trinity	28				4				12	36										5	4		15							1	20
6	Birmingham, Advent	517	10	77	4	94			122	122	490	155	235	460	30	1				200	6	16	4	200	1	4	15				1	77
7	Birmingham, St. Mary's						12		60	72	174	63	111						53	121	7										1	20
8	Brierfield	13				3					10										8	5		67							1	10
9	Boligee, St. Marks																				9											
10	Bon Secour, St. Peter's	22									22										10	3		30				1	1	23		
11	Carlowville, St. Paul's	77	2	6		8					69	15	54	58	11		5	3		55	11	4	1	25							0	
12	Clayton, Grace Church	23				10					13	4	9							13	12	2		17							1	8
13	Coalburg																				13											
14	Columbia, St. Paul's	13				8				1	6	3	3							6	14										0	
15	Dallas County, Grace Church	31									31										15											
16	Decatur, St. Paul's	70	3	6		9			28	28	89	32	57								16	4	2	26							1	15
17	Demopolis, Trinity Church	106	2			2		2	2	4	108	25	83			2				78	17	9	3	61							3	80
18	Eufaula, St. James'	98	1	9		10			3	3	91	31	60	81	10		25	3	3	60	18	6	1	51							1	20
19	Eutaw, St. Stephen's	46		2		2		4	2	6	50	14	36	44	6		6	2	0	48	19	6	1	40							1	20
20	Evergreen, St. Mary's	24	1			1					23										20	4	1	20								
21	Faunsdale, St. Michael's	41					8			8	49										21	5	4	30								
22	Florence, Trinity Church	57		10		10				24	71	19	52	65	6	1	5			66	22	5	3	20							2	20
23	Forkland, St. John's	18		2		2			4	4	19	6	13	18	1		5	9		5	23											
24	Fork of Green, St. Mark's	16		2		2					14	9	5	14						14	24	4	1	12							0	
25	Gadsden, Holy Comforter	36			31	31			18		23	6	17	21	1	1				23	25	3	1	8							2	16
26	Gainesville, St. Alban's																				26											

	Greensboro, St. Paul's	115	2	11		13					102	84	68						100	28	13	2	76						4	
30	Greenville, St. Thomas'	77		2	15	17					60								40	29	6	1	50							
31	Hayneville, St. Andrew's	19							1	1	20									30	3	1	15							
32	Huntsville, Nativity	202	3	12		15			4	4	281									31	17	5	152						2	100
33	Jacksonville, St. Luke's	42		6		6	5		1	6	42	15	27	34	8		4	11	27	32	5	2	22						2	75
34	Livingston, St. James'	37		8	1	9					28	4	24	25	3		3		4 21	33										
35	Lowndesboro, St. Paul's	15		2		2					13									34	2	1	10							
36	Macon, St. Andrew's	20									20									35										
37	Marion, St. Wilfrid's	93		6	10	16			6	6	83	24	59	35	48	7			50	36	8	3	65						1	45
38	Martin's Station, St. Luke's	15								5	20									37									0	
39	Mobile, Christ Church	403	8	16	2	26	15	7	8	30	407	130	277	338	69		39	13	2 353	38	24	7	158						9	350
40	" St. John's	671	16	8	5	29	47		12	59	701									39	35	6	375						8	270
41	" Trinity	371	2	5		7	25	8		33	397									40	12	6	135						3	200
42	" Good Shepherd	51				2				15	64	24	40			64		5	59	41	1	2	138						2	48
43	Montevallo,	9									9									42										
44	Montgomery, Holy Comforter	100	2	3		5			8	8	103								81	43	12	3	105						2	
45	" St. John's	544	6	20	2	28			10	10	526									44	22	6	200						4	64
46	Opelika, Emanuel Church	40									35						7	5	22	45										
47	Prattville, St. Mark's	27									27	10	17						20	46										
48	Piedmont, Christ Church	11				4				5	12	8	4						12	47	4	1	10							
49	Pushmataha, Calvary Church																			48										
50	Selma, St. Paul's	295	7	29		36	21			21	280	105	175	242	38					49	17	3	163						2	76
51	Scottsboro, St. Luke's	32								13	45									50	6	5	46						1	12
52	Sheffield, Grace Church	52	3	7		10					42	16	26	39	3				42	51	7	2	37						1	20
53	Talladega, St. Peter's	73	4			4				36	105	27	78	65	40	1	31	10	64	52	6	3	34						1	10
54	Trinity Station, Grace Church	29				6					23		23							53	4		26						1	11
55	Tuscumbia, St. John's	47		1		1			3	3	49									54	6	1	30							
56	Tuskaloosa, Christ Church	217	5			5			5	5	217	36	185				20	15	186	55	14	4	134	1	6	40			2	60
57	Troy, St. Mark's	26									26									56										
58	Union Springs, Trinity Church	28									28									57										
59	Uniontown, Holy Cross	67	1			1	4			4	70									58	6	4	27						1	30
60	Whistler, St. Paul's	47					10		1	11	58									59	7		65						1	14
61	Spring Hill, St. Paul	33					9			9	42	7	35	42			12	4	26	60	5	2	26							
62	Tilden, Grace Church	31	4		2	6			6	6	31	9	22	31		1	3		28	61										
63	Oxford,										5								5	62	5		30						1	6
64	Avondale, Christ Church										15								15	63	7		30						1	12
	Woodlawn, Calvary Church										22								22	64	6		24						1	20
		5409	84	264	72	460	181	21	325	648	5777	859	1808	1632	317	78	170	79	66		368	98	3016	4	21	118	3	9	148	68	1762

Number	Locality and Parish	Ministerial Offices: Baptisms: Adults	Baptisms: Infants	Baptisms: Total	Holy Communion: In Public	Holy Communion: In Private	Marriages	Burials	Sermons	Lectures	Brief Addresses	Instructions to Classes	No. Meetings Attended Officially	Episcopal Acts: No. of Persons Confirmed	Analysis of Confirmees: Male	Female	Adults	Minors	Colored	From other Religious Bodies	Heads of Families	Public Services: Sundays: Public Services on Sundays	Sessions of Sun. & Mis'n Schools	Week-days: Public Services Holy Days, Lent, Ember, Rogati'n, etc	No. Sessions Classes not Connected with Sunday School	Aggregate of all Services for Instruction or Worship
1	Anniston, Grace Church	3	16	19	45	2	2	3	....	....	....	....	....	25	13	12	18	7	..	14	10	142	....	69	....	....
2	" St. Michael's	7	15	22	....	....	1	....	2	....	1	....	4	....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	35	....	....	38
3	Athens, St. Timothy	..	1	1	....	....	....	1	24	3	10	3	....	....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	....	46	....	....	86
4	Auburn, Holy Innocents	1	1	2	6	....	....	1	46	10	6	45	4	....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	70	36	43	3	152
5	Bessemer, Trinity	..	4	4	5	....	1	....	36	....	....	....	....	7	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	36	45	....	....	81
6	Birmingham, Advent	2	58	60	76	13	22	17	123	18	....	35	8	....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	....	....	....	....	....
7	" St. Mary's	6	19	25	17	....	6	8	90	30	....	....	....	12	6	6	8	4	..	4	4	90	50	....	....	140
8	Brierfield	..	....	....	2	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	50	....	....	55
9	Boligee, St. Mark's	..	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	....	....	....	....	....
10	Bon Secour, St. Peter's	1	12	13	1	....	2	....	11	....	....	....	....	....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	....	....	....	....	....
11	Carlowville, St. Paul's	..	2	2	11	....	3	3	25	....	3	....	3	....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	45	40	57	....	102
12	Clayton, Grace Church	..	1	1	4	3	....	....	7	....	3	....	....	....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	....	50	17	....	67
13	Coalburg	..	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	....	....	....	....	....
14	Columbia, St. Paul's	..	1	1	3	1	....	....	6	....	....	....	....	....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	....	50	6	....	56
15	Dallas Co., Grace Church	..	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	....	....	....	....	....
16	Decatur, St. Paul's	..	1	1	3	....	2	5	40	12	6	2	....	....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	40	52	18	26	136
17	Demopolis, Trinity Church	2	4	6	18	....	4	4	60	....	....	....	....	....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	68	52	66	....	186
18	Eufaula, St. James'	..	2	2	63	....	2	3	111	36	7	6	3	....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	108	51	119	36	314
19	Eutaw, St. Stephen's	..	2	2	12	....	1	2	..	....	....	....	....	....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	32	52	30	....	114
20	Evergreen, St. Mary's	..	....	....	....	....	....	....	24	....	....	....	....	....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	24	....	....	....	....
21	Faunsdale, St. Michael's	..	2	2	12	2	....	2	50	11	....	5	5	8	3	5	5	3	..	2	5	50	52	23	4	129
22	Florence, Trinity Church	..	2	2	12	2	....	2	100	....	....	....	4	....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	104	52	72	....	225
23	Forkland, St. John's	..	4	4	8	1	1	2	10	4	....	....	....	....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	15	....	....	....	15
24	Fork of Green, St. Mark's	..	....	....	10	....	....	1	....	....	....	....	....	....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	10	50	....	....	60
25	Gadsden, Holy Comforter	1	1	2	6	1	....	....	14	....	1	3	5	....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	13	45	1	....	59
26	Gainesville, St. Albans'	..	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	....	....	....	....	....

27	Marion, St. Andrew's																								
28	Greensboro, St. Paul's		5	5	16	2	3	5	70												28	76	44	140	260
29	Greenville, St. Thomas'		6	6	15	1			40												29				
30	Hayneville, St. Andrew's				6									2							30				
31	Huntsville, Nativity	1	17	18	16	1	4	10	94	29			6								31	99	52	121	272
32	Jacksonville, St. Luke's		7	7	13		1		31		3	4	13	5	3	2		5		2	32	26	50	37	113
33	Livingston, St. James'		1	1	12																33	32		12	44
34	Lowndesboro, St. Paul's		1	1	6				12					4							34				
35	Macon, St. Andrew's																				35				
36	Marion, St. Wilfrid's				56	7	1														36	126	52	147	325
37	Martin's Station, St. Luke's																				37	5			5
38	Mobile, Christ Church	3	19	22	69	14	8	18	75	23	49	62	48	15	7	8	11	4		5	4	38	115	44	107	62	328
39	" St. John's	16	77	93	87	22	43	50	110	24	22		51	47	22	25	28	19		19	17	39	100	52	93	10	255
40	" Trinity Church	5	19	24	25	15	7	12	50	15	30	10	15	25								40	104	52			
41	" Good Shepherd	9	23	32	81	7	5	8	75		18	27		14					14	10	5	41	105	52	222		379
42	Montevallo,																					42	3				3
43	Montgomery, Holy Comforter	4	5	9	63			5														43	123	50	127		300
44	" St. John's	2	15	17	52	12	7	6														44	164	52	180		396
45	Opelika, Emanuel Church				6			1	39	7	2		4									45	41		9		50
46	Prattville, St. Mark's		4	4					18													46	18				18
47	Piedmont, Christ Church				8			1	15		3											47	15	50	2		67
48	Pushmataha, Calvary Church		2	2					1													48					
49	Selma, St. Paul's	3	8	11	14	2	5	11	113				13	21	8	13	16	5		9	6	49	44	41			
50	Scottsboro, St. Luke's		3	3			1	3	20		4	2										50					74
51	Sheffield, Grace Church		2	2	34		1	1	72	10	25											51	72	52	52		176
52	Talladega, St. Peter's		6	6	22			3	100		20		14									52	95	50	60		
53	Trinity Station, Grace Church		1	1					30	2	6	3										53	30	45			86
54	Tuscumbia, St. John's		2	2	26			2	51	50	25											54	51	54			105
55	Tuskaloosa, Christ Church	1	8	9	55		2	7	60			9	6									55	159	92	98		349
56	Troy, St. Mark's																					56					
57	Union Springs, Trinity Church																					57					
58	Uniontown, Holy Cross	1	3	4	15	1		4	55	18	6	5	4	4	1	3	3	1		3	3	58	52	51	21	6	130
59	Whistler, St. Paul's	1	3	4	2	3	3	6	15	26			4	10								59	15		41		56
60	Spring Hill, St. Paul's	1		1	5			1	42					9		9	9					60	43	43			86
61	Tilden, Grace Church		2	2	10		1		22													61	22				22
62	Oxford,				1				28					2								62	28	28	4		60
63	Avondale, Christ Church				5		1	1	48													63	46	15	2		63
64	Woodlawn, Calvary Church				4				35													64	40	42			82
		70	387	457	949	105	140	209	2110	325	250	220	214	210	63	83	98	48	14	68	54		2533	1702	1831	121	5446

	Locality and Parish.	Sources of Income: Balance Brought Over from Last Year	Pew Rents	Subscriptions	Communion Alms	Offerings other than Communion Alms	Guilds and Societies	Gifts in Money	Value of other Gifts	Sunday-School Offerings	Borrowed	All Other Sources	Total Income of the Parish
1	Anniston, Grace Church	$5060 00	$	$ 2645 62	$ 188 38	$ 5 17	$ 292 00	$ 450 00	35 00	$ 115 61		$17968 33	$ 27,271 94
2	" St. Michael's					45 28		159 72		35 47			240 47
3	Athens, St. Timothy			119 50		20 87		25 00		8 85		36 65	210 87
4	Auburn, Holy Innocents	58 93		413 00	14 24	98 77	0	107 49	40	17 60		25 00	735 43
5	Bessemer, Trinity	36 00					0	25 00	1600 00	7 00		494 60	2,162 60
6	Birmingham, Advent	337 76		2205 13	73 70	405 92	781 99			157 41	500 00	5510 06	9,971 97
7	" St. Mary's		1882 90	3914 72	100 82	544 84	1178 80	200 00		310 17	844 35	4293 19	13,269 79
8	Brierfield,			75 00			0			0			75 00
9	Boligee, St. Mark's												
10	Bon Secour, St. Peter's				10 45	30 85				0			41 30
11	Carlowville, St. Paul's	16 13		263 00	33 91	35 00	125 69	15 00		0		200 00	688 73
12	Clayton, Grace Church			7 00	4 90		40 00	119 62		0			171 52
13	Coalburg,												
14	Columbia, St. Paul's			50 65	4 50		26 30	597 64				149 81	828 90
15	Dallas Co., Grace Church												
16	Decatur, St. Paul's			325 00	3 25	200 00	0	20 85		23 25			572 35
17	Demopolis, Trinity Church			724 15	118 85	111 53	689 85	150 00		59 70		107 50	1,961 58
18	Eufaula, St. James'	84 50		1146 47	32 58	249 69	0	754 70	9 50	88 55		141 70	2,507 69
19	Eutaw, St. Stephen's			380 00	30 00	12 00	0			45 00			467 00
20	Evergreen, St. Mary's			200 00		24 37				15 56			239 93
21	Fauntsdale, St. Michael's			400 00	71 82	42 45				46 10			560 37
22	Florence, Trinity Church				62 99	107 59	408 06	6 00	7 95	12 00	8 05	66 56	679 20
23	Forkland, St. John's			87 00	15 06						10 00	10 00	122 06
24	Fork of Green, St. Mark's				9 09	21 00	21 70			10 30		125 21	187 30
25	Gadsden, Holy Comforter						106 70	64 00	60 00	5 00	3 00	208 95	519 65
	Guntersville, St. Albans'												

Greensboro, St. Paul's				134 60		0		200 00	324 74		1219 41	1878 75	28
Greenville, St. Thomas'			370 00	35 00	40 00				30 00			475 00	29
Hayneville, St. Andrew's			150 00		15 00				0		1715 00	1880 00	30
Huntsville, Nativity	275 19	1767 00		114 12	350 24	305 25			400 33		313 70	3525 83	31
Jacksonville, St. Luke's			255 69		44 13	143 44			24 10		218 49	685 85	32
Livingston, St. James'			300 00									300 00	33
Lowndesboro, St. Paul's			15 00		150 00				0			165 00	34
Macon, St. Andrew's													35
Marion, St. Wilfrid's			300 00	55 00	23 00	200 00			14 00	15 00	400 00	1007 00	36
Martin's Station, St. Luke's			50 00	25 00		20 00						95 00	37
Mobile, Christ Church	469 41	5200 00		550 07	1373 21	2952 71	1062 90	500 00	354 95	1100 00		13563 25	38
" St. John's	1255 32		1850 39	169 35	716 97	1374 55	140 00		448 38		30 00	5984 96	39
" Trinity Church	29 65	987 51	1963 67	240 95	65 00	1285 00	1274 30		132 62		548 65	6527 44	40
" Good Shepherd	45 25		390 00		125 66	14 00	16 00	395 32	0			986 23	41
Montevallo,			50 00									50 00	42
Montgomery, Holy Comforter			1000 00	47 15	470 42	0			300 00	76 75	1349 00	3243 32	43
" St. John's		3500 00	321 00	182 35	200 00	1000 00			500 00			5703 35	44
Opelika, Emanuel Church			160 00	4 00	41 23			28 92			45 23	279 38	45
Prattville, St. Mark's			75 00	6 00								81 00	46
Piedmont, Christ Church			45 00		15 20				3 25			63 45	47
Pushmataha, Calvary Church													48
Selma, St. Paul's	2 80		4589 09			167 70	950 00		253 70			5963 29	49
Scottsboro, St. Luke's			97 25		10 15	0	15 00		0			122 40	50
Sheffield, Grace Church			524 00	82 20		200 00			19 00		51 80	877 00	51
Talladega, St. Peter's						115 00			0		344 79	459 79	52
Trinity Station, Grace Church			98 50		11 50	0	42 15		6 60			158 75	53
Tuscumbia, St. John's			400 00	116 86	24 83				9 45		53 96	505 10	54
Tuskaloosa, Christ Church			1753 28	94 50		200 00			130 00		300 00	2477 78	55
Troy, St. Mark's													56
Union Springs, Trinity Church													57
Uniontown, Holy Cross			377 00	75 00	44 57	422 90			45 00			964 47	58
Whistler, St. Paul's			142 45			0			0			142 45	59
Spring Hill, St. Paul's				113 69					0		53 50	167 19	60
Tilden, Grace Church	10 60		91 00	15 71				40 00				157 31	61
Oxford,				7 80	22 22	73 00			0			103 02	62
Avondale, Christ Church			600 00		25 00	0	45 00	1300 00	5 00		110 00	2085 00	63
Woodlawn, Calvary Church			150 00			0		200 00	0		320 00	670 00	64
	$7681 54	$13337 41	$29319 41	$2843 89	$6235 49	$12144 64	$6240 46	$4377 09	$3958 69	$2557 15	$39483 09	$125,178 66	

Number.	Locality and Parish.	Expended for General Purposes.				Expended for Diocesan Purposes.							Number.
		Foreign and Domestic Missions	Jewish Missions	Other General Objects	Total General	Diocesan Assessment.	Diocesan Missions.	Church Home.	University of the South.	Disabled Clergy and Widows' and Orphans' Fund.	Other Diocesan Objects.	Total Diocesan.	
1	Anniston, Grace Church	$ 10 00	$ 10 70	$ 50 00	$ 70 70	$ 150 00	$ 525 00	$ 20 00	$ 19 60	$		$ 714 60	1
2	" St. Michael's	13 01			13 01								2
3	Athens, St. Timothy					15 00	10 00					25 00	3
4	Auburn, Holy Innocents	17 06	3 60		20 66	15 00	38 95					53 95	4
5	Bessemer, Trinity					25 00						25 00	5
6	Birmingham, Advent	51 58	21 50	46 85	119 93	300 00	112 50	67 00	22 77	39 12		541 39	6
7	" St. Mary's					200 00	40 00			30 00		270 00	7
8	Brierfield												8
9	Boligee, St. Mark's												9
10	Bon Secour, St. Peter's												10
11	Carlowville, St. Paul's	5 10			5 10	25 00	125 69	6 10		10 80		167 59	11
12	Clayton, Grace Church					10 00						10 00	12
13	Coalburg												13
14	Columbia, St. Paul's												14
15	Dallas county, Grace Church												15
16	Decatur, St. Paul's		3 00		3 00	50 00	17 85					67 85	16
17	Demopolis, Trinity Church	37 39	3 60	7 75	48 74	160 00	15 75	25 50	35 00	26 30		262 55	17
18	Eufaula, St. James		2 95	1 40	4 35	50 00	20 00	8 00		9 27		87 27	18
19	Eutaw, St. Stephen's			45 00	45 00	25 00						25 00	19
20	Evergreen, St. Mary's					15 00						15 00	20
21	Faunsdale, St. Michael's					30 00	16 85					46 85	21
22	Florence, Trinity Church	33 30	16 20		49 50	35 00	20 25			4 75		60 00	22
23	Forkland, St. John's					10 00						10 00	23
24	Fork of Green, St. Mark's	21 70			21 70	20 00	21 70					41 70	24
25	Gadsden, Holy Comforter					5 00	5 00					10 00	25
26	Gainesville, St. Albans'												26

29	Greenville, St. Thomas'					30 00	30 00	20 00				80 00	29
30	Hayneville, St. Andrew's					15 00						15 00	30
31	Huntsville, Nativity	50 00	14 60	26 01	90 61	300 00	305 24		10 10	35 00		650 84	31
32	Jacksonville, St. Luke's	6 50	4 00	5 00	15 50	25 00	62 90					87 90	32
33	Livingston, St. James												33
34	Lowndesboro, St. Paul's					15 00						15 00	34
35	Macon, St. Andrew's												35
36	Marion, St. Wilfrid's	6 05	95		7 00	30 00						30 00	36
37	Martin's Station, St. Luke's												37
38	Mobile, Christ Church	46 95	26 90		73 85	450 00	397 15	697 51	29 00	9 40		1583 06	38
39	" St. John's					150 00	62 55	405 00				617 55	39
40	" Trinity Church	25 00	10 00		35 00	250 00	263 65	285 00	10 00	15 00		823 65	40
41	" Good Shepherd	31 25			31 25			5 00				5 00	41
42	Montevallo												42
43	Montgomery, Holy Comforter		1 75		1 75	75 00						75 00	43
44	" St. John's	47 25	17 00		64 25	450 00	460 00	30 00		20 00		960 00	44
45	Opelika, Emanuel Church	2 00			2 00		25 16					25 16	45
46	Prattville, St. Mark's												46
47	Piedmont, Christ Church	3 25			3 25	10 00						10 00	47
48	Pushmataha, Calvary Church												48
49	Selma, St. Paul's					350 00	157 00					507 00	49
50	Scottsboro, St. Luke's					15 00						15 00	50
51	Sheffield, Grace Church					35 00		20 00				55 00	51
52	Talladega, St. Peter's					25 00	3 00					28 00	52
53	Ttrinity Station, Grace Church					10 00	32 15					42 15	53
54	Tuscumbia, St. John's	16 50	1 70		18 20	15 00	53 00	26 00				94 00	54
55	Tuscaloosa, Christ Church		8 75		8 75	150 00	250 00			19 00		419 00	55
56	Troy, St. Mark's												56
57	Union Springs, Trinity Church												57
58	Uniontown, Holy Cross					30 00						30 00	58
59	Whistler, St. Paul's												59
60	Spring Hill, St. Paul's					5 00						5 00	60
61	Tilden, Grace Church	10 00			10 00	10 00	5 00	3 90				18 90	61
62	Oxford												62
63	Avondale, Christ Church					10 00						10 00	63
64	Woodlawn, Calvary Church												64
		$463 89	$157 20	$182 01	$803 10	$3775 00	$3427 59	$1699 01	$156 47	$223 64	$4 00	$9285 71	

	Locality and Parish	EXPENDED FOR PAROCHIAL PURPOSES													
		Rector's Salary	Current Expenses	Repairs and Improvements	Expended for the Poor	Expended for the Sunday-School	Traveling Expenses, etc., Repaid	Missionary Wo'k in the Parish	Purchases for Church or Rectory	Money Value of Gifts	Passed to Credit of Endowment or Trust Fund	New Buildings, etc.	Other Parochial Purposes	Cash on Hand	Total Parochial
1	Anniston, Grace Church	$ 2400 00	$ 477 69	$ 584 70	$ 182 62	$ 60 00	$.....	$ 6 18	$ 500 00	$ 485 00	$20812 00	$.....	$....	$.....	$26120 01
2	" St. Michael's	.....	130 00	.....	.....	12 92	75 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	9 54	227 46
3	Athens, St. Timothy	119 50	20 00	.....	.....	5 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	41 37	185 87
4	Auburn, Holy Innocents	413 00	82 50	.....	.....	5 00	25 24	.....	95 79	40	.....	.....	.....	38 89	660 82
5	Bessemer, Trinity	.....	97 48	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1600 00	.....	254 24	.....	185 88	2137 60
6	Birmingham, Advent	2000 00	785 08	321 63	225 60	62 00	4 00	.....	.....	.....	376 66	5024 93	.....	510 75	9310 65
7	" St. Mary's	1800 00	935 94	280 80	17 00	12 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	10 00	15 00	3070 74
8	Brierfield	75 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	75 00
9	Boligee, St. Mark's	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
10	Bon Secour, St. Peter's	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	41 30	41 30
11	Carlowville, St. Paul's	262 00	7 80	9 80	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	279 60
12	Clayton, Grace Church	.....	7 00	242 18	4 00	5 40	7 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	265 58
13	Coalburg	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
14	Columbia, St. Paul's	.....	10 70	800 00	.....	.....	18 20	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	828 90
15	Dallas Co., Grace Church	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
16	Decatur, St. Paul's	325 00	30 00	5 50	.....	10 90	70 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	60 10	501 50
17	Demopolis, Trinity Church	700 00	76 10	25 15	6 20	21 05	.....	.....	17 50	150 00	.....	.....	10 25	704 04	1710 29
18	Eufaula, St. James'	979 42	159 60	400 54	6 00	11 26	7 50	.....	.....	9 50	646 55	.....	.....	.....	2220 37
19	Eutaw, St. Stephen's	250 00	.....	45 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	102 00	397 00
20	Evergreen, St. Mary's	200 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	24 93	224 93
21	Faunsdale, St. Michael's	400 00	51 91	.....	.....	56 61	5 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	513 52
22	Florence, Trinity Church	606 91	31 37	38 80	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	7 95	.....	.....	.....	.....	685 03

	[illegible], St. Andrew's			[illegible]						0			244 85	27
	Greensboro, St. Paul's				134 60		0		200 00	324 74		1219 41	1878 75	28
	Greenville, St. Thomas'			370 00	35 00	40 00				30 00			475 00	29
	Hayneville, St. Andrew's			150 00		15 00				0		1715 00	1880 00	30
	Huntsville, Nativity	275 19	1767 00		114 12	350 24	305 25			400 33		313 70	3525 83	31
	Jacksonville, St. Luke's			255 69		44 13	143 44			24 10		218 49	685 85	32
	Livingston, St. James'			300 00									300 00	33
34	Lowndesboro, St. Paul's			15 00		150 00				0			165 00	34
35	Macon, St. Andrew's													35
36	Marion, St. Wilfrid's			300 00	55 00	23 00	200 00			14 00	15 00	400 00	1007 00	36
37	Martin's Station, St. Luke's			50 00	25 00		20 00						95 00	37
38	Mobile, Christ Church	469 41	5200 00		550 07	1373 21	2952 71	1062 90	500 00	354 95	1100 00		13563 25	38
39	" St. John's	1255 32		1850 39	169 35	716 97	1374 55	140 00		448 38		30 00	5984 96	39
40	" Trinity Church	29 65	987 51	1963 67	240 95	65 00	1285 00	1274 39		132 62		548 65	6527 44	40
41	" Good Shepherd	45 25		390 00		125 66	14 00	16 00	395 32	0			986 23	41
42	Montevallo,			50 00									50 00	42
43	Montgomery, Holy Comforter			1000 00	47 15	470 42	0			300 00	76 75	1349 00	3243 32	43
44	" St. John's		3500 00	321 00	182 35	200 00	1000 00			500 00			5703 35	44
45	Opelika, Emanuel Church			160 00	4 00	41 23			28 92			45 23	279 38	45
46	Prattville, St. Mark's			75 00	6 00								81 00	46
47	Piedmont, Christ Church			45 00		15 20				3 25			63 45	47
48	Pushmataha, Calvary Church													48
49	Selma, St. Paul's	2 80		4589 09			167 70	950 00		253 70			5963 29	49
50	Scottsboro, St. Luke's			97 25		10 15	0	15 00		0			122 40	50
51	Sheffield, Grace Church			524 00	82 20		200 00			19 00		51 80	877 00	51
52	Talladega, St. Peter's						115 00			0		344 79	459 79	52
53	Trinity Station, Grace Church			98 50		11 50	0	42 15		6 60			158 75	53
54	Tuscumbia, St. John's			400 00	116 86	24 83				9 45		53 96	505 10	54
55	Tuskaloosa, Christ Church			1753 28	94 50		200 00			130 00		300 00	2477 78	55
56	Troy, St. Mark's													56
57	Union Springs, Trinity Church													57
58	Uniontown, Holy Cross			377 00	75 00	44 57	422 90			45 00			964 47	58
59	Whistler, St. Paul's			142 45			0			0			142 45	59
60	Spring Hill, St. Paul's				113 69					0		53 50	167 19	60
61	Tilden, Grace Church	10 60		91 00	15 71				40 00				157 31	61
62	Oxford,				7 80	22 22	73 00			0			103 02	62
63	Avondale, Christ Church			600 00		25 00	0	45 00	1300 00	5 00		110 00	2085 00	63
64	Woodlawn, Calvary Church			150 00			0		200 00	0		320 00	670 00	64
		$7681 54	$13337 41	$29319 41	$2843 89	$6235 49	$12144 64	$6240 46	$4377 09	$3958 69	$2557 15	$36483 09	$125,178 36	

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	Locality and Parish.	Expended for Arrearages. Interest on Parochial Debt.	Payment on Principal.	Arrearages Paid to Rector.	Arrearages Paid to Diocese.	Total Payments on Debts.	Restatement of Totals. Total General.	Total Diocesan.	Total Parochial and Debt.	Grand Aggregate of Expenditure to Balance Income.		Present Condition. Mortgage Debt.	Floating Debt.	Salaries and Assessments Unpaid and Due.	Cash in Treasury.	Funds Held by Guilds and Societies.
1	Anniston, Grace Church	$	$	$366 64	$	$ 366 64	$ 70 70	$ 714 60	$ 26486 65	$ 27271 94	1	$	$	$	$	$
2	" St. Michael's						13 01		227 46	240 47	2					
3	Athens, St. Timothy							25 00	185 87	210 87	3		30			
4	Auburn, Holy Innocents						20 66	53 95	660 82	735 43	4				28 19	
5	Bessemer, Trinity							25 00	2137 60	2162 60	5				185 88	
6	Birmingham, Advent						119 93	541 39	9310 65	9971 97	6		500			2805 79
7	" St. Mary's		9829 05		100 00	9929 05		270 00	12999 79	13269 79	7				15 00	
8	Brierfield								75 00	75 00	8					
9	Boligee, St. Mark's										9					
10	Bon Secour, St. Peter's								41 30	41 30	10					
11	Carlowville, St. Paul's						5 10	167 59	279 60	688 73	11					
12	Clayton, Grace Church							10 00	265 58	275 58	12					
13	Coalburg										13					
14	Columbia, St. Paul's								828 90	828 90	14					
15	Dallas County, Grace Church										15					
16	Decatur, St. Paul's						3 00	67 85	501 50	572 35	16					
17	Demopolis, Trinity Church						48 74	262 55	1710 29	1961 58	17					
18	Eufaula, St. James'			195 70		195 70	4 35	87 27	2416 07	2507 69	18			20 78		
19	Eutaw, St. Stephen's						45 00	25 00	397 00	467 00	19					
20	Evergreen, St. Mary's							15 00	224 93	239 93	20					
21	Faunsdale, St. Michael's							46 85	513 52	560 37	21			200 00		
22	Florence, Trinity Church						49 50	60 00	685 03	794 53	22					408 06
23	Forkland, St. John's							10 00	92 06	112 06	23					
24	Fork of Green, St. Mark's						21 70	41 70	102 90	166 30	24					
25	Gadsden, Holy Comforter							10 00	509 65	519 65	25					
26	Gainesville, St. Albans'										26					

Gallion, St. Andrew's							72 35	172 50	244 85	27					
Greensboro, St. Paul's						40 00	577 90	1260 85	1878 75	28					
Greenville, St. Thomas'							80 00	395 00	475 00	29					
Hayneville, St. Andrew's							15 00	1865 00	1880 00	30					
Huntsville, Nativity						90 61	650 34	2784 88	3525 83	31				356 27	
Jacksonville, St. Luke's			40 42		40 42	15 50	87 90	582 45	685 85	32			70 59		
Livingston, St. James										33					
Lowndesboro, St. Paul's							15 00	150 00	165 00	34					
Macon, St. Andrew's										35					
Marion, St. Wilfrid's						7 00	30 00	970 00	1007 00	36					25 0
Martin's Station, St. Luke's								95 00	95 00	37					
Mobile, Christ Church	60 00	300 00			360 00	73 85	1583 06	11906 34	13563 25	38		1800		569 87	1265 8
" St. John's				37 50	37 50		617 55	5367 41	5984 96	39				305 89	451 9
" Trinity Church						35 00	823 65	5668 79	6527 44	40				148 60	1285 0
" Good Shepherd						31 25	5 00	949 98	986 23	41					
Montevallo								50 00	50 00	42					
Montgomery, Holy Comforter						1 75	75 00	3166 57	3243 32	43					
" St. John's		1250 00			1250 00	64 25	960 00	4679 10	5703 35	44					
Opelika, Emanuel Church			10 00		10 00	2 00	25 16	252 22	279 38	45			50 00	41 60	
Prattville, St. Mark's								81 00	81 00	46					
Piedmont, Christ Church						3 25	10 00	50 20	63 45	47					
Pushmataha, Calvary Church										48					
Selma, St. Paul's							507 00	5456 29	5963 29	49				14 94	553 7
Scottsboro, St. Luke's							15 00	107 35	122 35	50					
Sheffield, Grace Church							55 00	822 00	877 00	51	1000				
Talladega, St. Peter's							28 00	431 79	459 79	52				7 20	10 0
Trinity Station, Grace Church							42 15	116 60	158 75	53					
Tuscumbia, St. John's						18 20	94 00	492 30	605 10	54					
Tuscaloosa, Christ Church						8 75	419 00	2032 63	2477 78	55		200		80 00	27 0
Troy, St. Mark's										56					
Union Springs, Trinity Church										57					
Uniontown, Holy Cross							30 00	934 47	964 47	58					
Whistler, St. Paul's								142 45	142 45	59				135 45	
Spring Hill, St. Paul's							5 00	162 19	167 19	60				52 54	
Tilden, Grace Church						10 00	18 90	128 41	157 31	61					
Oxford								103 02	103 02	62					
Avondale, Christ Church							10 00	2065 00	2075 00	63				140 00	
Woodlawn, Calvary Church								670 00	670 00	64					
	$60 00	$11379 05	$612 76	$137 50	$12189 31	$803 10	$9285 71	$114763 96	$125057 20		$1000	$2530	$341 37	$2081 52	$6807 8

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1	Anniston, Grace Church	$20812 00	$.....	$.....	35,000	$10,000	$28,000	$.....	$ 2,500	$ 75,500	1	.....	.....	188
2	" St. Michael's	.....	.....	25,000	75,000	10,000	15,000	.....	.....	100,000	2	.....	.....	188
3	Athens, St. Timothy	.....	.....	.....	3,500	.....	.....	.....	350	3,850	3	....No	.....	
4	Auburn, Holy Innocents	10 70	.....	1,100	1,500	.....	.....	400	150	2,050	4	....No	The Bishop	189
5	Bessemer, Trinity	.....	.....	600	1,300	.....	.....	2,500	150	3,950	5	.....	Diocese	
6	Birmingham, Advent	2500 00	780 00	3,000	10,000	1,800	3,500	30,400	1,125	46,825	6	.....	In the Diocese	187
7	" St. Mary's	.....	.....	5,000	12,000	.....	.....	1,600	700	14,300	7	.....	In the Diocese	
8	Brierfield	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	8	.....	.....	
9	Boligee, St. Mark's	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	9	.....	.....	
10	Bon Secour, St. Peter's	.....	.....	.....	800	.....	500	.....	.....	1,300	10	.....	.....	
11	Carlowville, St. Paul's	.....	.....	.....	1,000	.....	.....	.....	200	1,200	11	.....	.....	
12	Clayton, Grace Church	.....	.....	.....	1,800	.....	.....	.....	80	1,880	12	.....	Bishop	
13	Coalburg	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	13	.....	.....	
14	Columbia, St. Paul's	50 00	.....	.....	1,600	.....	.....	.....	50	1,650	14	.....	Bishop	
15	Dallas County, Grace Church	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	15	.....	.....	
16	Decatur, St. Paul's	.....	.....	.....	.....	3,950	.....	7,540	150	11,640	16	....1888....	Diocese	186
17	Demopolis, Trinity Church	.....	.....	2,000	8,000	4,000	.....	.....	1,500	13,500	17	....Yes	.....	
18	Eufaula, St. James'	646 55	25 65	4,200	3,000	3,500	.....	2,200	300	9,000	18	....Yes ...	Bishop	
19	Eutaw, St. Stephen's	.....	.....	.....	3,000	.....	.....	.....	500	3,500	19	.....	.....	
20	Evergreen, St. Mary's	.....	.....	.....	1,200	.....	.....	.....	385	1,585	20	.....	.....	
21	Faunsdale, St. Michael's	46 10	.....	.....	1,500	.....	.....	.....	200	1,700	21	. Unknown .	Vestry	
22	Florence, Trinity Church	.....	.....	800	2,000	3,000	.....	.....	125	5,125	22	....1889....	.....	183
23	Forkland, St. John's	.....	.....	.....	3,000	.....	.....	250	.....	.....	23	....No	Diocese	187
24	Fork of Green, St. Mark's	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1,000	24	....No	.....	
25	Gadsden, Holy Comforter	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	25	.....	.....	
26	Gainesville, St. Albans'	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	26	.....	.....	

29	Greenville, St. Thomas'	2100 00		1,500	2,500	3,000			800	6,500	29			
30	Hayneville, St. Andrew's				1,700				250	1,950	30			
31	Huntsville, Nativity	1500 00		10,000	33,000		10,000			43,000	31			184
32	Jacksonville, St. Luke's				2,500			1,500	65	4,065	32			
33	Livingston, St. James'									2,300	33			
34	Lowndesboro, St. Paul's				2,500	400			500	3,400	34	Not Incorporated	Do not know	
35	Macon, St. Andrew's										35			
36	Marion, St. Wilfrid's				3,000	3,000			3,000	9,000	36	1837		183
37	Martin's Station, St. Luke's				1,200					1,200	37			
38	Mobile, Christ Church		3000 00	20,000	45,000	5,000	10,000	2,000	12,150	74,150	38	1835	Corporation	182
39	" St. John's	1217 50	55 00	6,250	5,000	2,500			2,000	9,500	39	1884	Trustees	185
40	" Trinity Church	110 30		14,000	25,000			1,500	6,000	32,500	40	Yes	Vestry as Trustees	
41	" Good Shepherd									13,500	41		Diocese	
42	Montevallo,				600					600	42			
43	Montgomery, Holy Comforter			3,500						3,500	43	Not Incorporated	Trustees	188
44	" St. John's									50,000	44			
45	Opelika, Emanuel Church	50 00			4,500			1,500		6,000	45		Vestry	
46	Prattville, St. Mark's										46			
47	Piedmont, Christ Church				1,000			2,500	50	3,550	47		Bishop	
48	Pushmataha, Calvary Church										48			
49	Selma, St. Paul's	2600 00		12,000	30,000	5,000		6,000	7,500	48,500	49	1857	Wardens and Vestry	183
50	Scottsboro, St. Luke's										50			
51	Sheffield, Grace Church				3,600				200	3,800	51	No	Trustees	
52	Talladega, St. Peter's			1,050	3,550					3,550	52	No	Trustees	
53	Trinity Station, Grace Church				1,000				177	1,177	53	No	Diocese	
54	Tuscumbia, St. John's				1,500				50	1,550	54	Doubtful	Do not know	
55	Tuskaloosa, Christ Church		250 00		15,000	5,000			1,000	21,000	55		Bishop	1829
56	Troy, St. Mark's										56			
57	Union Springs, Trinity Church										57			
58	Uniontown, Holy Cross				1,000	1,500			200	2,700	58		Do not know	?
59	Whistler, St. Paul's				1,500					1,500	59			
60	Spring Hill, St. Paul's		8 00		3,000					3,000	60	1859		1858
61	Tilden, Grace Church				800				25	825	61			
62	Oxford,										62			
63	Avondale, Christ Church			400	600			1,200		1,800	63		Diocese	
64	Woodlawn, Calvary Church		250 00	400	550			200	200	950	64		Diocese	
		$31643 15	$4368 65	$110800	$369200	$63,550	$67,000	$61,290	$43,432	$671,422				

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1	Anniston, Grace Church	$20812 00	$.....	$.....	35,000	$10,000	$28,000	$.....	$2,500	$75,500	1	.....	.....	188
2	" St. Michael's	.....	.....	25,000	75,000	10,000	15,000	.....	.....	100,000	2	.....	.....	188
3	Athens, St. Timothy	.....	.....	.....	3,500	.....	.....	.....	350	3,850	3	....No	.....	
4	Auburn, Holy Innocents	10 70	.....	1,100	1,500	.....	.....	400	150	2,050	4	....No	The Bishop	189
5	Bessemer, Trinity	.....	.....	600	1,300	.....	.....	2,500	150	3,950	5	.....	Diocese	
6	Birmingham, Advent	2500 00	780 00	3,000	10,000	1,800	3,500	30,400	1,125	46,825	6	.....	In the Diocese	187
7	" St. Mary's	.....	.....	5,000	12,000	.....	.....	1,600	700	14,300	7	.....	In the Diocese	
8	Brierfield	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	8	.....	.....	
9	Boligee, St. Mark's	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	9	.....	.....	
10	Bon Secour, St. Peter's	.....	.....	.....	800	.....	500	.....	.....	1,300	10	.....	.....	
11	Carlowville, St. Paul's	.....	.....	.....	1,000	.....	.....	.....	200	1,200	11	.....	.....	
12	Clayton, Grace Church	.....	.....	.....	1,800	.....	.....	.....	80	1,880	12	.....	Bishop	
13	Coalburg	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	13	.....	.....	
14	Columbia, St. Paul's	50 00	.....	.....	1,600	.....	.....	.....	50	1,650	14	.....	Bishop	
15	Dallas County, Grace Church	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	15	.....	.....	
16	Decatur, St. Paul's	.....	.....	.....	.....	3,950	.....	7,540	150	11,640	16	....1888....	Diocese	186
17	Demopolis, Trinity Church	.....	.....	2,000	8,000	4,000	.....	.....	1,500	13,500	17	....Yes	.....	
18	Eufaula, St. James'	646 55	25 65	4,200	3,000	3,500	.....	2,200	300	9,000	18	....Yes ...	Bishop	
19	Eutaw, St. Stephen's	.....	.....	.....	3,000	.....	.....	.....	500	3,500	19	.....	.....	
20	Evergreen, St. Mary's	.....	.....	.....	1,200	.....	.....	.....	385	1,585	20	.....	.....	
21	Faunsdale, St. Michael's	46 10	.....	.....	1,500	.....	.....	.....	200	1,700	21	. Unknown .	Vestry	
22	Florence, Trinity Church	.....	.....	800	2,000	3,000	.....	.....	125	5,125	22	....1889....	.....	188
23	Forkland, St. John's	.....	.....	.....	3,000	.....	.....	250	.....	.....	23	....No	Diocese	187
24	Fork of Green, St. Mark's	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1,000	24	....No	.....	
25	Gadsden, Holy Comforter	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	25	.....	.....	
26	Gainesville, St. Albans'	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	26	.....	.....	

27	Gallion, St. Andrew's							72 35	172 50	244 85	27						
28	Greensboro, St. Paul's						40 00	577 90	1260 85	1878 75	28						
29	Greenville, St. Thomas'							80 00	395 00	475 00	29						
30	Hayneville, St. Andrew's							15 00	1865 00	1880 00	30						
31	Huntsville, Nativity						90 61	650 34	2784 88	3525 83	31				356 27		
32	Jacksonville, St. Luke's			40 42		40 42	15 50	87 90	582 45	685 85	32			70 50			
33	Livingston, St. James										33						
34	Lowndesboro, St. Paul's							15 00	150 00	165 00	34						
35	Macon, St. Andrew's										35						
36	Marion, St. Wilfrid's						7 00	30 00	970 00	1007 00	36						25 0
37	Martin's Station, St. Luke's								95 00	95 00	37						
38	Mobile, Christ Church	60 00	300 00			360 00	73 85	1583 06	11906 34	13563 25	38		1800		509 87		1265 8
39	" St. John's				37 50	37 50		617 55	5367 41	5984 96	39				305 89		451 9
40	" Trinity Church						35 00	823 65	5668 79	6527 44	40				148 60		1285 0
41	" Good Shepherd						31 25	5 00	949 98	986 23	41						
42	Montevallo								50 00	50 00	42						
43	Montgomery, Holy Comforter						1 75	75 00	3166 57	3243 32	43						
44	" St. John's		1250 00			1250 00	64 25	960 00	4679 10	5703 35	44						
45	Opelika, Emanuel Church			10 00		10 00	2 00	25 16	252 22	279 38	45			50 00	41 60		
46	Prattville, St. Mark's								81 00	81 00	46						
47	Piedmont, Christ Church						3 25	10 00	50 20	63 45	47						
48	Pushmataha, Calvary Church										48						
49	Selma, St. Paul's							507 00	5456 29	5963 29	49				14 94		553 7
50	Scottsboro, St. Luke's							15 00	107 35	122 35	50						
51	Sheffield, Grace Church							55 00	822 00	877 00	51	1000					
52	Talladega, St. Peter's							28 00	431 79	459 79	52				7 20		10 0
53	Trinity Station, Grace Church							42 15	116 60	158 75	53						
54	Tuscumbia, St. John's						18 20	94 00	492 30	605 10	54						
55	Tuscaloosa, Christ Church						8 75	419 00	2032 63	2477 78	55		200		80 00		27 0
56	Troy, St. Mark's										56						
57	Union Springs, Trinity Church										57						
58	Uniontown, Holy Cross							30 00	934 47	964 47	58						
59	Whistler, St. Paul's								142 45	142 45	59				135 45		
60	Spring Hill, St. Paul's							5 00	162 19	167 19	60				52 54		
61	Tilden, Grace Church						10 00	18 90	128 41	157 31	61						
62	Oxford								103 02	103 02	62						
63	Avondale, Christ Church							10 00	2065 00	2075 00	63				140 00		
64	Woodlawn, Calvary Church								670 00	670 00	64						
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FIRST DAY.

The Special Council of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Alabama, called by the Bishop, assembled according to notice in St. Paul's Church, Selma, on Wednesday the 29th of October, 1890.

Morning prayer was said at 11 o'clock A. M.; and the sermon was preached by the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of the Diocese, from the text, St. John, chapter 9, verse 5:

"As long as I am in the World, I am the Light of the World."

The Holy Communion was celebrated by the RT. REV. R. H. WILMER, D. D., Bishop of the Diocese, assisted by the Rev. T. J. BEARD, and the Rev. R. W. BARNWELL, Rector of the Parish.

Immediately after the service, the Council was called to order by the Rt. Rev. President, who presented the following

List of Clergy entitled to Seats in the Special Council of the Diocese of Alabama, St. Paul's, Selma, October 29th, 1890.

RT. REV. RICHARD H. WILMER, D. D.,

Rev. W. T. Allen,	Rev. J. M. Banister, D. D.,
" R. W. Barnwell,	" Thos. J. Beard,
" Thos. Burry, (D) (1),	" Chas. E. Cabaniss,
" Thos. A. Cook,	" R. H. Cobbs, D. D.,
" Benj. Dennis,	" W. R. Dye,
" Geo. M. Everhart, D. D.,	" Philip A. Fitts,
" D. F. Hoke, (D) (2),	" Percy W. Jones,
" Jos. F. Johns, (D),	" J. C. Johnes, (D),
" John J. Harris, (D),	" Jno. A. Harrison, D. D.,
" J. L. Lancaster,	" F. B. Lee,
" Vardry McBee,	" B. F. Mower,
" A. W. Pierce,	" L. W. Rose,
" E. W. Spalding, D. D.,	" H. A. Skinner, (3),
" J. F. Smith,	" W. A. Stickney,
" Horace Stringfellow, D. D.,	" A. J. Tardy, (4).
" J. L. Tucker, D. D.,	" Gardiner C. Tucker,
" G. R. Upton,	" J. A. Van Hoose,
" DeB. Waddell,	" R. J. Walker, (5),

Rev. W. C. Witaker, (D).

(1). Not entitled to vote, because of not being engaged in Ministerial Duty.
(2). " " " " " " " " " "
(3). Not entitled to vote, not having had six months Ecclesiastical Residence.
(4). Not entitled to vote, not having had six months Ecclesiastical Residence.
(5). Reported as engaged in another Diocese, but not yet regularly transferred.

The Secretary of the last Council called the Roll as thus presented and the following were found to be present.

RT. REV. RICHARD H. WILMER, D. D.,

Rev. J. M. Banister, D. D.,
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" J. L. Lancaster,
" Vardry McBee,
" J. F. Smith,
" J. L. Tucker, D. D.,
" Geo. R. Upton,
" W. C. Witaker.

As required by Canon, the Treasurer presented the following List of Parishes entitled to Representation:

Holy Innocents, Auburn,
St. Mary's, Evergreen,
St. Paul's, Greensboro,
St. Andrew's, Hayneville,
St. Paul's, Selma,
Grace Church, Sheffield,
Christ Church, Tuskaloosa,
St. Paul's, Carlowville,
Trinity, Florence,
St. Thomas', Greenville,
The Holy Comforter, Montgomery,
St. Mark's, Prattville,
St. Peter's, Talladega,
St. John's Church, Tuscumbia.

Certificates of election of Lay Deputies were presented and referred to a Committee consisting of Rev. W. A. STICKNEY, Rev. G. C. TUCKER, Rev. W. R. DYE. This Committee reported these Credentials in proper form, and the the following Delegates entitled to seats in the Council:

Holy Innocents, Auburn—W. L. Broun, J. H. Lane, J. B. McDonald, J. S. Newman.

St. Paul's Church, Carlowville—J. D. Alison, J. D. Alison, Jr.

St. Mary's Church, Evergreen—C. B. Bowles, F. L. Hickox, C. B. Savage, N. Stallworth.

Trinity Church, Florence—R. L. Bliss, H. B. Lee.

St. Paul's Church, Greensboro—R. H. Stickney, C. E. Waller, J. W. Boudurant, H. G. Benners, E. T. Pasteur.

St. Thomas' Church, Greenville—D. G. Dunklin, E. Crenshaw, F. Stollenwerck, E. W. Metcalf.

St. Andrew's Church, Hayneville—J. F. Clement, John Pritchett.

Church of the Holy Comforter, Montgomery—John L. Cobbs, T. J. Foster, W. W. Allen, J. B. Trimble, J. N. Garland.

St. Mark's Church, Prattville—C. A. Edwards, T. C. Smith.

St. Paul's Church, Selma—N. H. R. Dawson, R. M. Nelson, E. P. Galt, J. G. Murray, G. A. Wilkins.

Grace Church, Sheffield—R. C. Randolph, W. F. Jones, J. B. Blocker, W. H. Ruffin, H. F. Jones.

St. Peter's Church, Talladega—R. Nickles, Geo. O. Wheeler, F. A. Gerrish, J. L. Laverty.

Christ Church, Tuskaloosa—A. Hill, P. Bryce, J. H. Fitts, E. N. C. Snow.

St. John's Church, Tuscumbia—David Hicks.

Their names being called, the following Delegates were found to be present:

Messrs. W. L. Broun, J. D. Alison, J. D. Alison, Jr., R. H. Stickney, C. E. Waller, J. W. Boudurant, H. G. Benners, E. T. Pasteur, John L. Cobbs, T. G. Foster, T. C. Smith, N. H. R. Dawson, R. M. Nelson, E. P. Galt, J. G. Murray, Geo. A. Wilkins, R. C. Randolph, Geo. O. Wheeler, A. Hill, P. Bryce, J. H. Fitts, E. N. C. Snow.

A quorum being present, the Council was declared to be duly organized. Rev. R. H. COBBS, D. D., was nominated and elected Secretary.

On motion it was

Resolved, That the Diocesan Assessment for the quarter ending August 15th, 1890, be and the same is hereby remitted.

Under this Resolution, the President declared all the Parishes and Mission Stations in the Diocese entitled to representation, and, the Roll being called, Certificates of Election were presented and referred to the Committee on Credentials.

On motion the Council adjourned untill 4:30 o'clock P. M.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, SELMA,
October 29th, 1890, 4:30 P. M.

The Council met pursuant to adjournment. The Committee on Credentials reported the Certificates of Election in due form, and the following Delegates entitled to seats:

Grace Church, Anniston—F. M. Hight, J. H. Cobbs, T. K. Scott, A. L. Tyler.

Church of St. Michael and All Angels, Anniston—J. W. Noble, O. H. Parker, H. M. Weathers, Sam'l. Robinson.

Church of the Advent, Birmingham—Thos. Cobbs, R. H. Pearson, Robt. Chisholm, C. A. Garland, M. A. Porter.

St. Mary's Church, Birmingham—Robt. Chisholm, John White, G. H. Ellerbe, H. S. Underwood, Chas. P. Hammond.

Trinity Church, Bessemer—W. C. Fellows.

Trinity Church, Demopolis—J. R. Robertson, F. S. Lyon, N. G. Winn, J. T. Jones.

St. Stephen's Church, Eutaw—Jas. Bank, J. B. Small.

St. Michael's, Faunsdale—N. Harris, A. J. Bethea, P. M. Nelson, J. H. Minge.

St. John's Church, Forkland—J. Glover, J. S. Brasfield.

Gadsden Mission—W. G. Alexander.

St. Andrew's, Gallion—H. A. Tayloe, W. W. Dugger, R. H. Dugger, C. A. Smith, Chas. Hause.

Church of the Nativity, Huntsville—Peter M. Dox, J. R. Stevens, Luke Matthews, W. F. Garth, Daniel Coleman.

St. Wilfrid's Church, Marion—Jas. H. Stewart, C. H. Scawell, R. H. Evins.

St. John's Church, Montgomery—Joel White, R. F. Michel, B. J. Baldwin, W. W. Screws, H. C. Tompkins.

Christ Church, Mobile—Dan'l McNeill, W. H. Ross, G. H. Dunlap, Gaylord B. Clark, Frank Ross.

Trinity Church, Mobile—Geo. B. Toulmin, Benjamin Vincent.

St. John's Church, Mobile—O. J. Semmes, W. J. McCowan, Emanuel Jones, Price Williams, Jr.

Christ Church, Piedmont—Alex. McCollister, Thomas Dorsay.

Church of the Holy Cross, Uniontown—Edwin Shield, W. J. Vaiden, Bernard Hammond, J. B. Christian, T. B. Boyd.

Their names being called, the following Delegates were found to be present:

Messrs. T. K. Scott, J. W. Noble, Thomas Cobbs, R. H. Pearson, C. A. Garland, M. A. Porter, Robert Chisholm, John White, W. C. Fellows, J. R. Robertson, F. S. Lyon, N. G. Winn, N. Harris, A. J. Bethea, J. H. Minge, H. A. Tayloe, W. W. Dugger, R. H. Dugger, C. A. Smith, Charles Hause, Daniel Coleman, R. H. Evins, Joel White, W. W. Screws, W. J. Vaiden.

The Committee appointed by the last Council to inform the Rev. Dr. Lindsay of his election as Assistant Bishop of the Diocese of Alabama, reported that they had discharged the duty assigned to them and that this position had been formally

declined by the Rev. DR. LINDSAY. After some discussion, it was on motion

Resolved, That the Council should proceed to the election of an Assistant Bishop.

After a recess of half an hour, the Council reassembled, and the Rev. R. S. BARRETT, Rev. H. M. JACKSON, D. D., and Rev. P. A. H. BROWN were nominated, Messrs. R. M. NELSON, GEO. A. WILKINS and W. J. VAIDEN were appointed tellers, and the Clergy proceeded to indicate by ballot their choice of the person to be elected to that office. Twenty-one votes were cast, of which Rev. R. S. BARRETT received 15; Rev. Dr. JACKSON 4; and Rev. Mr. BROWN 2. The Rev. R. S. BARRETT was declared to be nominated by the Clergy, and this nomination was communicated to the Laity.

The Council took a recess, and after an interval resumed its session. Rev. W. A. STICKNEY, Rev. P. A. FITTS and Rev. BENJ. DENNIS were appointed tellers, and the Laity, voting by Parishes, proceeded to act upon the nomination. Twenty-one votes were cast, of which seven were in the affirmative, and fourteen in the negative, whereupon, as the result of the balloting it was announced, that the nomination of the Rev. R. S. BARRETT was rejected by the Laity.

The Council again took a recess, and upon reassembling the names of Rev. H. M. JACKSON, D. D., Rev. R. W. BARNWELL and Rev. J. B. CHESHIRE, JR., D. D., were placed in nomination. The same tellers were appointed and twenty-one votes were cast, of which Rev. R. W. BARNWELL received 4; Rev. Dr. CHESHIRE 7; Rev. Dr. JACKSON 8; and Rev. Dr. STRINGFELLOW 2. No name having received a majority of votes, it was announced that no nomination had been made by the Clergy.

Rev. Mr. BARNWELL at this point arose and earnestly requested the withdrawal of his name.

A second ballot was ordered and as the result, the Rev. R. W. BARNWELL received 3 votes, Rev. DR. JACKSON 12; Rev. DR. CHESHIRE 4; and Rev. DR. COBBS 2. Rev. H. M. JACKSON, D. D., was then announced as the choice of the Clergy for Assistant Bishop, and the nomination was communicated to the Laity. The Rev. Messrs. STICKNEY, FITTS and DENNIS

again acting as tellers, the Laity proceeded to vote by ballot upon the nomination. Twenty-one votes were cast, each one in the affirmative; whereupon, it was announced as the result of the balloting, that the nomination of the Clergy was approved, and that the Rev. H. M. JACKSON, D. D., of Richmond, Va., was duly elected Assistant Bishop of Alabama.

On motion it was

Resolved, That the vote of both orders be made unanimous.

The members of the Council then signed the testimonial required by Canon; the Secretary was instructed to send a telegram to the Rev. DR. JACKSON, and Rev. J. L. LANCASTER, Rev. R. W. BARNWELL and Rev. G. C. TUCKER were appointed a Committee to give him formal notice of his election.

On motion it was

Resolved, That the Diocesan assessment for the quarter ending August 15th, 1890, which was remitted by this Council, be and the same is hereby reinstated against each Parish and Mission Station.

The Council then joined in singing The Gloria in Excelsis and immediately, on motion, adjourned till 10 o'clock to-morrow (Thursday.)

SECOND DAY.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, SELMA,
October 30th, 1890, 10 A. M.

The Council met pursuant to adjournment, and the minutes of yesterday's proceedings were read and amended and, as amended, were approved. Messrs. P. BRYCE, R. M. NELSON and JOHN L. COBBS were added to the Committee appointed to communicate with the Rev. DR. JACKSON.

On motion it was

Resolved, That the Council hereby gives notice to the The Rector, Wardens and Vestry of St. John's Parish, Montgomery, that the property known as the Bishop Cobbs' Orphan Home will be needed as a residence for the Assistant Bishop of the Diocese, and requests that it be placed under the control of the Diocese on January 1st, 1891, provided the Assistant Bishop selects Montgomery as his home.

On motion it was

Resolved, That the portion of the Bishop's Address which referred to the late Rev. J. H. Stringfellow, be referred to a Committee of three, with in-

structions to prepare suitable resolutions in regard to his death, and Rev. T. J. Beard, Rev. P. A. Fitts and Mr. Robert Chisholm were appointed said Committee.

On motion it was

Resolved, That the proceedings of this Council be published in the Journal of the next Council.

On motion it was

Resolved, That the salary of the Assistant Bishop be $3,000.00 per annum, and the house in Montgomery, belonging to the Diocese, be placed at his disposal.

On motion it was

Resolved, That if the Assistant Bishop Elect does not accept, the assessments against the Parishes and Mission Stations be as fixed for 1889 and 1890.

On motion it was

Resolved, That in case the Assistant Bishop accepts, the necessary expenses attending the Consecration be paid by the Treasurer of the Diocese.

On motion it was

Resolved, That the Treasurer be instructed to pay the Secretary fifty dollars for his services at this Council.

On motion it was

Resolved, That the Treasurer pay to the Sexton of St. Paul's Church, Selma, ten dollars for his services at this Council.

On motion it was

Resolved, That the thanks of the Council are hereby tendered to St. Paul's Parish and the citizens of Selma, for the courteous hospitality extended to the members of this body.

On motion it was

Resolved, That the thanks of the Council are hereby tendered to Mr. Robert Wetmore for his thoughtful kindness in supplying the Council with stationery.

On motion the Council take a recess for an hour.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, SELMA,
October 30th, 1890.

The Council reassembled, and the following was presented and read, and on motion, was adopted by a rising vote.

The Committee to whom was referred that part of the Bishop's Address at the opening of the Council, in relation to the death of the Rev. JAMES H. STRINGFELLOW, beg leave to report the following Resolutions:

Resolved, That this Council most deeply sympathizes with every word of the touching tribute paid by the Bishop to our departed Brother.

A manly christian Brother has gone from us under such circumstances of prolonged and severe suffering, as deepens our grief, while increasing our love for him, and our admiration for his fortitude patience and perfect resignation to the Divine Will.

The Diocese has lost a faithful Priest, his Parish a true and devoted Pastor, and his brethren, both Clergy and Laity, a Brother honored and beloved, and family what is beyond the power of words to express. Our hearts go out to them in deepest sympathy in their sorrow.

Resolved, That a copy of these Resolutions be sent to them and also be placed upon the minutes of the Council, and a Special Memorial Page be put in its proper place in the next published Journal of the Diocese.

THOS. J. BEARD, P. A. FITTS, ROBT. CHISHOLM.

On motion it was

Resolved, That in case the consecration of the Assistant Bishop takes place outside the Diocese, the Bishop be requested to appoint a Committee of three Clergymen and and three Laymen to represent this Council.

The minutes were read and approved, and after prayers, on motion the Council adjourned "sine die."

RICHARD H. WILMER,

Bishop of Alabama and Pres. Ex Officio.

R. H. COBBS,

Secretary.

IN MEMORY

OF THE

Rev. James A. Stringfellow,

Born in Alexandria, Va., December 14th, 1850,

Ordered Deacon by the Rt. Rev. Richard H. Wilmer, D. D.,

In St. John's Church, Montgomery, May 12th, 1872,

Ordained Priest by the Rt. Rev. Dr. Howe,

Bishop of South Carolina,

In Trinity Church, Columbia, S. C., December 16th, 1874,

Fell asleep in Tuskaloosa, Ala., October 10th, 1890.

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LIST OF CLERGY

Canonically belonging to the Diocese of Alabama.

Name.	Post Offices.
Rt. Rev. RICHARD H. WILMER, D. D. LL. D., Bishop,	Spring Hill, Mobile Co.
Rt. Rev. H. Melville Jackson, D. D., Bishop Coadjutor,	Jacksonville.
Rev. Wm. T. Allen, Talladega, Jacksonville and Piedmont,	
" J. M. Banister, D. D., Church of the Nativity,	Huntsville.
" Robt. W. Barnwell, St. Paul's Church,	Selma.
" T. J. Beard, Church of the Advent,	Birmingham.
" Thos. Burry, (Deacon), Woodlawn and Avondale,	Birmingham.
" R. H. Cobbs, D. D., St. Paul's Church,	Greensboro.
" Thos. A. Cook,	Alpine.
" Benj. Dennis, Trinity Church,	Bessemer.
" Walter R. Dye, St. Stephen's Church,	Eutaw.
" Philip A. Fitts, Grace Church,	Anniston.
" John J. Harris, Livingston and Boligee,	Tuskaloosa.
" John A. Harrison, D. D., Trinity Church,	Demopolis.
" D. F. Hoke, (Deacon),	
" Joseph F. John, Church of the Holy Cross, Uniontown and St. Michael's Church, Faunsdale,	Uniontown.
" J. C. Johnes, (Deacon), Officiating at St. Paul's Church,	Decatur.
" Percy W. Jones, St. Paul's Church,	Whistler.
" J. L. Lancaster, Chaplain,	Uni. of Virginia.
" F. B. Lee, St. Paul's Church,	Carlowville.
" Wm. D. Martin, St. Michael and All Angels,	Anniston.
" A. W. Pierce, Church of the Good Shepherd,	Mobile.
" Henry A. Skinner, St. Mark's Church, Troy, and Trinity Church, Union Springs,	Eufaula.
" J. F. Smith, Montevallo, Prattville, &c.,	Talladega.
" Erastus W. Spalding, D. D., St. James' Church,	Eufaula.
" William A. Stickney, St. John's Church, Forkland,	Faunsdale.
Ven'le. Horace Stringfellow, D. D., St. John's Church,	Montgomery.
Rev. A. J. Tardy,	New Orleans.
" Charles Trotman, Christ Church,	Tuskaloosa.
" G. C. Tucker, St. John's Church,	Mobile.
" J. L. Tucker, D. D., Christ Church,	Mobile.
" Jas. A. Van Hoose, Evangelist,	Birmingham.
" DeB. Waddell, Grace Church,	Sheffield.
" Walter C. Whitaker, Church of Holy Comforter,	Montgomery.
" Geo. R. Upton, St. Thomas' Church,	Greenville.

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" THOMAS BURRY,
" JOSEPH FRANCIS JOHN.

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JOHN BURTON RESSE, J. J. D. HALL.

Postulants,

WILLIAM MITCHELL, Bessemer, LOUIS TUCKER, Sewanee.

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Sister HARRIET,	Church	Home,	Mobile.
" REBECCA,	"	"	"
" ELIZABETH,	"	"	"
" SARAH,	"	"	"
" BELLE,	"	"	"
" MARY,	"	"	"
" MARY,	"	"	"

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" W. A. STICKNEY,
" PHILIP A. FITTS.

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LOUIS ALLEN WEAVER, Birmingham,
EDWIN SHEILD, Uniontown,
L. R. PETTIS, Gadsden,
N. D. VAN SYCKEL, (by approval B'p N. Y.) New York,
WILLIAM MITCHELL, Bessemer,
DANIEL COLEMAN, Huntsville,
J. R. ARMOND, Huntsville,
RICHARD JONES, Spring Hill,

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Anniston—Grace Church.....Rev. Philip A. Fitts.
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" —St. Paul's Chapel, Oxford, etc. " Philip A. Fitts.
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Auburn—Holy Innocents.....Vacant.
Brierfield—Mission.....Rev. J. F. Smith.
Birmingham—Church of the Advent..... " T. J. Beard.
" —St. Mary's..... ————
Bessemer and vicinity..... ..... " Benj. Dennis.
Bridgeport—Mission.....Vacant.
Elyton—St. John's.....Rev. T. J. Beard.
Bon Secour—St. Peter's..... " Percy W. Jones.
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Carlowville—St. Paul's..... " F. B. Lee.
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Coalburg—Mission..... " T. J. Beard.
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Decatur—St. Paul's.....Rev. J. C. Johnes, (Deacon.)
Demopolis—Trinity..... " John A. Harrison, D. D.
Eufaula—St. James'..... " E. W. Spalding, D. D.
Eutaw—St. Stephen's..... " W. R. Dye.
Evergreen—St. Mary's..... " George R. Upton.
Faunsdale—St. Michael's..... " Joseph F. John.
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Forkland—St. John's .... " W. A. Stickney.
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Jasper Mission... ..... " J. A. Van Hoose.
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Livingston—St. James'..... " J. J. Harris.
Marion—St. Wilfrid's..... " W. R. Dye.
Montevallo..... " J. F. Smith.

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" —Holy Comforter..... " W. C. Whitaker.
Mobile—Christ Church..... " J. L. Tucker, D. D.
" —Trinity .....Vacant.
" —St. John's.....Rev. G. C. Tucker.
" —Good Shepherd..... " A. W. Pierce.
Mt. Meigs Mission..... " W. C. Whitaker.
Opelika—Emanuel .....Vacant.
Piedmont—Christ Church ....Rev. Wm. T. Allen.
Pushmataha—Calvary.....Vacant.
Selma—St. Paul's.....Rev. R. W. Barnwell.
Scottsboro—St. Luke's..... ...Vacant.
Spring Hill—St. Paul's.....The Bishop.
Sheffield—Grace Church.....Rev. DeB. Waddell.
Talladega—St. Peter's..... " Wm. T. Allen.
Trinity—Grace Church..... ..... " J. C. Johnes, (Deacon.)
Tuskaloosa—Christ Church..... " Charles Trotman.
Troy—St. Mark's..... " H. A. Skinner.
Uniontown—Holy Cross..... " Jos. F. John.
Union Springs—Trinity..... .. " H. A. Skinner.
Whistler—St. Paul's..... " Percy W. Jones.
Woodlawn—Mission..... " Thos. Burry.

Deans and Convocations.

Convocation of Mobile—Rev. J. L. Tucker, D. D., Dean. This convocation embraces the counties of Mobile and Baldwin.

Convocation of Montgomery—Rev. Erastus W. Spalding, D. D., Dean. This Convocation embraces the counties of Montgomery, Conecuh, Butler, Lowndes, Autauga, Lee, Russell, Pike, Bullock and Barbour.

Convocation of Selma—Rev. R. H. Cobbs, D. D., Dean. This Convocation embraces the counties of Dallas, Perry, Marengo, Hale, Choctaw and part of Greene.

Convocation of Birmingham—Rev. T. J. Beard, D. D., Dean, embracing the counties of Jefferson, Tuskaloosa, Sumter, part of Greene, St. Clair, Shelby, Bibb, Talladega and Calhoun.

Convocation of Huntsville—Rev. J. M. Banister, D. D., Dean, embracing counties of Madison, Jackson, Limestone, Morgan, Lawrence, Franklin and Lauderdale.

JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS.

FIRST DAY.

The Sixtieth Annual Council of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Alabama, assembled in the Church of St. Michael and All Angels, Anniston, May 19th, 1891.

Morning prayer was said at 11 o'clock A. M., the sermon being preached by the Rev. G. C. TUCKER, from the text, St. Matthew, chapter 4, verse 17:

"Follow Me and I will make you Fishers of Men."

The Holy Communion was celebrated by the RT. REV. R. H. WILMER, D. D., Bishop of the Diocese, assisted by the RT. REV. H. M. JACKSON, D. D., the Assistant Bishop.

Immediately after service, the Council was called to order by the Rt. Rev. President, who presented the following

List of Clergy entitled to Seats in the Diocesan Council of 1891.

RT. REV. RICHARD H. WILMER, D. D., LL. D.,
RT. REV. H. M. JACKSON, D. D.,

Rev. W. T. Allen,
" R. W. Barnwell,
" R. H. Cobbs, D. D.,
" Benj. Dennis,
" P. A. Fitts,
" J. A. Harrison, D. D.,
" Jos. F. John, (Deacon,)
" J. L. Lancaster,
" W. D. Martin,
" H. A. Skinner,
" E. W. Spalding, D. D.,
" H. Stringfellow, D. D.,
" G. C. Tucker,
" DeB. Waddell,

Rev. J. M. Banister, D. D.,
" T. J. Beard,
" Thos. A. Cook,
" W. R. Dye,
" J. J. Harris, (Decon,)
" J. C. Johnes, (Deacon,)
" Percy W. Jones,
" F. B. Lee,
" A. W. Pierce,
" J. F. Smith,
" W. A. Stickney,
" J. L. Tucker, D. D.,
" J. A. Van Hoose,
" Geo. R. Upton,

Rev. W. C. Whitaker.

The Secretary of the last Council called the Roll as thus presented, and the following were found to be present:

Rt. Rev. Richard H. Wilmer, D. D., LL. D.,
Rt. Rev. H. M. Jackson, D. D.,

Rev. W. T. Allen,
" T. J. Beard,
" W. R. Dye,
" J. J. Harris,
" Jos. F. John,
" W. D. Martin,
" E. W. Spalding, D. D.,
" H. Stringfellow, D. D.,
Rev. R. W. Barnwell,
" R. H. Cobbs, D. D.,
" P. A. Fitts,
" Jno. A. Harrison, D. D.,
" F. B. Lee,
" H. A. Skinner,
" J. F. Smith,
" G. C. Tucker,
Rev. W. C. Whitaker.

The Treasurer of the Diocese, as required by Canon, presented the following

LIST of PARISHES ENTITLED to REPRESENTATION in the COUNCIL:

Montgomery, St. John's Parish,
Selma, St. Paul's Parish,
Birmingham, Church of the Advent,
Tuskaloosa, Christ Church,
Anniston, Church of St. Michael and All Angels,
Mobile, St. John's Parish,
Demopolis, Trinity Parish,
Eufaula, St. James' Parish,
Florence, Trinity Parish,
Greenville, St. Thomas' Parish,
Eutaw, St. Stephen's Parish,
Talladega, St. Peter's Parish,
Jacksonville, St. Luke's Parish,
Auburn, Ch. of the Holy Innocents,
Tuscumbia, St. John's Parish,
Gadsden, the Gadsden Mission,
Clayton, Grace Church,
Tilden, Grace Church,
Forkland, St. John's Parish,
Opelika, Emanuel Church,
Avondale, the Avondale Mission,
Spring Hill, St. Paul's Parish,
Mobile, Christ Church Parish,
Huntsville, Church of the Nativity,
Mobile, Trinity Parish,
Anniston, Grace Church,
Greensboro, St. Paul's Parish,
Montg'y, Ch. of the Holy Comforter,
Decatur, St. Paul's Parish,
Uniontown, the Ch. of the Holy Cross,
Gallion, St. Andrew's Parish,
Mobile, the Ch. of the Good Shepherd,
Boligee, St. Mark's Parish,
Carlowville, St. Paul's Parish,
Hayneville, St. Andrew's Parish,
Lowndesboro, St. Paul's Parish,
Brierfield, the Brierfield Mission,
Piedmont, Christ Church,
Montevallo, the Montevallo Mission,
Prattville, St. Mark's Parish,
Bon Secour, St. Peter's Parish,
Whistler, St. Paul's Parish,
Marion, St. Wilfrid's Parish.

Th List of Parishes so entitled was then called, and credentials of Lay Deputies were presented and referred to a Committee consisting of Rev. E. W. Spalding, D. D., Rev. W. T. Allen and Rev. Jos. F. John. This Committee reported the following Lay Deputies entitled to seats:

Anniston, Grace Church—F. M. Hight, Benj. Mecou, W. W. Stringfellow, E. G. Roberts, J. L. Mikle.

Auburn, Holy Innocents—W. L. Broun, J. S. Newman, J. B. McDonald.

Birmingham, Church of the Advent—Thos. Cobbs, C. A. Garland, W. P. Harding, J. P. Mudd, W. J. Milner.

Carlowville, St. Paul's Parish—R. J. Lide, Isaac Youngblood, S. A. Reynolds, J. D. Alison, J. D. Alison, Jr.

Demopolis, Trinity Parish—J. T. Jones, Geo. J. Michael, D. F. Prout.

Eufaula, St. James' Parish—H. R. Shorter, Dozier Thornton, T. W. Toney, W. T. Flournoy, P. H. Morris.

Florence, Trinity Parish—R. L. Bliss, H. B. Lee.

Gadsden Mission—Wm. Pettis.

Gallion, St. Andrew's Parish—H. A. Tayloe, R. H. Dugger, C. A. Smith, W. W. Dugger, Chas. Hause.

Greensboro, St. Paul's Parish—E. L. Stickney, C. E. Waller, R. H. Stickney, H. G. Benners, E. B. Randolph.

Jacksonville, St. Luke's Parish—Peyton Rowan, W. H. Dean.

Mobile, Christ Church—R. S. Bunker, T. S. Fry, W. H. Ross, Robt. Middleton, F. B. Clark, Jr.

Montgomery, St. John's Parish—Joel White, W. W. Screws, H. C. Tompkins, B. L. Wyman, B. J. Baldwin.

Montgomery, Church of the Holy Comforter—Jno. L. Cobbs, T. G. Foster, W. W. Allen, J. B. Trimble, J. S. Winter.

Opelika, Emanuel Church—James Clayton. J. L. Cowan, H. L. Bandy, A. B. Bennett, C. B. McCoy.

Piedmont Mission—A. McCollister.

Selma, St. Paul's Parish—N. H. R. Dawson, F. D. Tinsley, R. M. Nelson, J. G. Murray, Geo. A. Wilkins.

Tallageda, St. Peter's Parish—Geo. O. Wheeler, Ernest Walpole, J. S. Graves, J. S. Laverty.

Tuskaloosa, Christ Church—J. H. Fitts, A. Hill, E. N. C. Snow, H. A. Jones; W. C. Fitts.

There names being called, the following were found to be present:

Messrs. Benj. Mecou, W. W. Stringfellow, W. L. Broun, R. J. Lide, J. D. Alison, Jr., D. F. Prout, H. R. Shorter, T. W. Toney, W. T. Flournoy, Wm. Pettis, C. E. Waller, W. H. Dean, T. S. Fry, W. H. Ross, Joel White, W. W. Screws, B. L. Wyman, J. L. Cobbs, James Clayton, Geo. A. Wilkins, J. H. Fitts, A. Hill.

A quorum being present, the Council was declared to be duly organized, and the Rev. R. H. COBBS, D. D., was nominated and elected Secretary.

The following were presented and read:

WHEREAS, Since the last Annual Council, a called session has been held at which the Rev. H. M. Jackson, D. D., was duly elected Assistant Bishop of the Diocese of Alabama, and on the twenty-first day of January, 1891, was consecrated to the Holy office of a Bishop in the Church of Christ, therefore,

Resolved, By the Clergy and Laity in Council assembled:

1*st*. That we express to the Rt. Rev. H. M. Jackson, D. D., Assistant Bishop of the Diocese of Alabama, our sincere thankfulness to Almighty God that he has been moved, as we trust by the Holy Spirit, to accept the office to which he has been called.

2*d*. We hereby pledge to him our filial affection and our earnest support, in his work of holding up the hands of our Venerable Bishop.

3*d*. That we, remindful of the many years of faithful service rendered by the Bishop, congratulate him on the fact that an Aaron has been provided and pray that one who is so endeared to us by the sacred associations of the past, may still be preserved to the Diocese for years to come, to say, as in the past, "PEACE BE UNTO YOU."

On motion the Preamble and Resolutions were unanimously adopted by a rising vote.

On motion, the Rules of Order of the last Council were adopted for the government of this Council.

On motion it was

Resolved, That the sessions of the Council continue daily from 9 o'clock A. M., till 2 o'clock P. M.

On motion, the Council adjourned till 9 o'clock A. M., Wednesday.

SECOND DAY.

ANNISTON, May 20th, 1891.

The Council met pursuant to adjournment. After prayers were said, the Roll was called and a quorum found to be present, and the minutes of yesterday's proceedings were read and approved.

Rev. J. M. BANISTER, D. D., Rev. BENJ. DENNIS, Rev. J. C. JOHNES, Rev. J. L. LANCASTER, Rev. G. R. UPTON, Rev. J. A. VAN HOOSE, Rev. J. L. TUCKER, D. D., and Messrs. H. A. TAYLOE, C. A. SMITH, H. G. BENNERS, W. W. ALLEN, J. B. TRIMBLE, N. H. R. DAWSON, R. L. BLISS, J. G. MURRAY, R. H. STICKNEY, R. M. NELSON, C. A. GARLAND, F. D. TINSLEY, appeared and took their seats.

The Rt. Rev. The Bishop of the Diocese, having appointed the Assistant Bishop to preside at the sessions of the Council. The Rt. Rev. H. M. JACKSON, D. D., at this point took the chair.

Certificates of election of Lay Deputies were presented from Trinity Parish, Mobile; St. Stephen's Parish, Eutaw; St. Mary's Parish, Evergreen; Church of the Holy Cross, Uniontown; Church of the Nativity, Huntsville; St. Paul's Church, Decatur; St. Thomas' Parish, Greenville; St. John's Parish, Mobile; and Church of St. Michael and All Angels, Anniston; and were declared by the Committee to be in due form, and the following Deputies entitled to seats:

Mobile, St. John's Parish—O. J. Semmes, W. J. McCowan, Emanuel Jones, J. T. Hawkins.

Greenville, St. Thomas' Parish—D. G. Dunklin, E. Crenshaw, W. Calhoune, J. Powell.

Uniontown, Church of the Holy Cross—J. H. Davidson, W. J. Vaiden.

Mobile Trinity Parish—H. T. Toulmin, O. F. Cawthon, Benj. Vincent, A. M. Quigley.

Huntsville, Church of the Nativity—Danl. Coleman, James P. Matthews, Luke Matthews, Jas. Darwin, Milton Humes.

Decatur, St. Paul's Parish—J. H. Gray, W. H. Jarvis.

Evergreen, St. Mary's Parish—P. P. Bowles, N. Stallworth, C. B. Savage, L. Savage.

Eutaw, St. Stephen's Parish—B. B. Barnes, James Banks, R. H. Watkins, G. B. Mobley.

Anniston, Church St. Michael and All Angels—J. W. Noble, O. H. Parker, W. Y. Titcomb, H. M. Weathers, Saml. Robinson.

Their names being called, Messrs. J. H. GRAY, D. G. DUNKLIN, J. P. MATTHEWS, J. H. DAVIDSON, W. J. VAIDEN, J. W. NOBLE, appeared and took their seats.

An application for admission of a Parish into union with the Council of the Diocese was made and on motion, was referred to a committee consisting of Rev. T. J. BEARD, Rev. R. W. BARNWELL, Rev. W. R. DYE, and Messrs. JAMES CLAYTON and T. S. FRY.

The following Standing Committees were announced by the President.:

Committee on the State of the Church—Rev. T. J. Beard, Rev. J. F. Smith, Rev. F. B. Lee, Rev. J. A. Harrison, D. D., and Messrs. Alonzo Hill, R. J. Lide, W. L. Broun, A. McCollister.

Committee on Canons—Rev. H. Stringfellow, D. D., Rev. J. M. Banister, D. D., Rev. E. W. Spalding, D. D., Rev. P. A. Fitts, Rev. R. W. Barnwell, and Messrs. H. C. Tompkins, C. E. Waller, N. H. R. Dawson.

Committee on Finance—R. M. Nelson, H. A. Tayloe, D. F. Prout, Joel White, J. L. Cobbs, W. H. Ross, J. H. Fitts, G. A. Wilkins, H. R. Shorter, D. G. Dunklin, Robert Chisholm.

Committee on Parochial Reports—Rev. J. L. Tucker, D. D., Rev. G. C. Tucker, Rev. Jos. F. John, Mr. H. G. Benners, Mr. J. D. Alison, Jr., Mr. C. A. Garland, Mr. F. D. Tinsley.

Committee on Unfinished Business—Rev. R. H. Cobbs, D. D., Mr. W. H. Dean.

On motion the Rules of Order were suspended, and a resolution regarding some changes in the Constitution of the Diocese was presented and read, and on motion referred to the Committee on Canons.

The Rt. Rev. The Bishop of the Diocese then read his Annual Address (see Appendix.)

On motion it was

Resolved, That so much of the Bishop's Address as relates to Diocesan Missions be made the order for the day, in the Committee of the whole, on Thursday, May 21st, at 11 o'clock A. M.

The Assistant Bishop of the Diocese then read his Annual Report to the Council, (see Appendix.)

On motion the Statistical portions of both of these Reports were referred to the Committee on the State of the Church.

On motion the Rev. J. M. BANISTER, D. D., Rev. P. A. FITTS and Rev. J. A. VAN HOOSE, were appointed a Committee to prepare suitable resolutions in regard to the death of the Rev. B. F. MOWER and Rev. GEO. M. EVERHART, D. D.

The following was presented and read and received.

OFFICIAL ACTS OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE.

1890, *August* 11—The Committee organized by the election of the Rev. J. L. Tucker, D. D., President, and Mr. F. B. Clark, Jr., Chancellor of the Diocese, Secretary.

The Committee gave the consent of the Diocese of Alabama to the Consecration of the Rev. Edward R. Atwill, D. D., Rector of Trinity Church, Toledo, Ohio, as Bishop of West Missouri.

October 18—The Committee recommended a Dispensation from the study of the Latin and Greek languages, etc., in the case of the Rev. Thos. Burry, Deacon.

December 16—The Committee recommended a Dispensation from the Latin language only, in the case of the Rev. Percy W. Jones, Deacon; and recommended the Rev. Walter C. Whitaker, Deacon, for Ordination to the Priesthood. The bill for printing the Journal of the Council of 1890, was ordered paid. The consent of the Diocese of Alabama to the Consecration of the Rev. John W. Coleman as Missionary Bishop of Alaska was asked by the House of Bishops. Consent was withheld upon the following grounds; first that there is no legally constituted "Missionary Jurisdiction of Alaska;" and, second, the above election was therefore void. The Committee held that under Article 3 of the Constitution, the House of Bishops had not the power to create a Missionary Jurisdiction by a simple resolution of its own body. The President announced to the Committee that on the preceding day he had received the consent of a majority of the Standing Committees of the several Dioceses to the Consecration of Assistant Bishop Elect, H. M. Jackson, of this Diocese. The President was authorized to have two Cabinets made for the Bishop and the Committee, for the orderly keeping of official papers.

January 31, 1891—Rev. Percy W. Jones, Deacon, was recommended to the Bishop for Ordination to the Priesthood, with consent to a reduction of time.

May 7—The consent of the Diocese of Alabama was given to the Consecration of the Rev. Davis Sessums, M. A., as Assistant Bishop of the Diocese of Louisiana.

J. L. TUCKER, *President.*

The Council then voted by ballot for the Standing Committee of the Diocese:

Rev. BENJ. DENNIS and Mr. BENJ. MICOU being appointed tellers, and the balloting resulted in the election of Rev. J. L. TUCKER, D. D., Rev. H. STRINGFELLOW, D. D., Rev. G. C. TUCKER, and Mr. R. S. BUNKER, Mr. H. T. TOULMIN, Mr. F. B. CLARK, JR.

On motion, the reading of Parochial Reports was dispensed with and the same were presented and referred to the Committee on Parochial Reports.

The report of the Trustees of the Bishop's Fund was presented and read, and on motion was referred to the Committee on Finance.

The following was presented and read, and on motion, was unanimously adopted. The Committee on Canons to whom was submitted the proposed changes in the Constitution, beg leave to report, that they have examined the same, and recommend the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That Article V., of the Constitution be and is hereby amended, so as to read: Art. V. The Bishop, or the Assistant Bishop, if there be one, in the absence of the Bishop shall be President of the Council. If one or both be absent, or if there be no Bishop, the Council shall choose a President pro-tempore from the Presbyters present. The Bishop and the Assistant Bishop may make any motion which either shall judge to be conducive to the good of the Church; but shall not enter into debate. They may deliver their sentiments on any subject, after it has been discussed before a vote thereon. The Bishop may call Special Councils, at whatever time and place he may think necessary. In case of a vacancy in the Episcopal Office, this power shall be vested in the Standing Committee.

H. STRINGFELLOW, *Chairman.*

The Council then proceeded to consider certain changes in the Constitution referred to it by the last Council, voting by orders, as required by the Constitution, and pending this discussion, adjourned until 4 o'clock P. M.

ANNISTON, May 20th, 1891, 4 P. M.

The Council met pursuant to adjournment. A motion to remit $100.00 of the assessment due from St. Mary's Parish, Birmingham, was referred to the Committee on Finance. A communication from the Vestry of Christ Church, Tuskaloosa, was presented and read, and on motion, was referred to the Committee on Canons.

The Council then proceeded to discuss certain changes in the Constitution, the result of which will appear in due form in the Appendix.

On motion, the Council adjourned until 9 o'clock A. M., Thursday.

THIRD DAY.

ANNISTON, May 21st, 1891.

The Council met pursuant to adjournment. After prayers were said, the roll was called, and a quorum was found to be present, and the minutes of yesterday's proceedings were read and approved, Messrs. ROBT. MIDDLETON, GEO. O. WHEELER and DANIEL COLEMAN, appeared and took their seats.

The following was presented and read:

The Special Committee on new Parishes beg leave to report, that they have examined the application from St. Luke's Parish, Fort Payne, and find its Articles of Association in due form, and recommend that this Parish be admitted into union with this Council.

On motion, this report was received and the resolution following adopted:

Resolved, That the Parish of St. Luke's, Fort Payne be admitted into union with this Council.

The same committee, after due examination of facts, presented the following resolution, which was on motion, adopted.

Resolved, That the Mission of the Holy Comforter, Gadsden, be admitted as an organized Mission into union with this Council.

A formal invitation from the Vestry of Christ Church, Mobile, to hold the next session in that Parish, was extended to the Council, and on motion was unanimously accepted.

An invitation was also extended to the Council to visit the Noble Institute in a body, which invitation was unanimously accepted, and 4 P. M., to-day set apart as the hour for the visit.

The resignation of the Diocesan Printer was presented and read and by a formal vote was accepted.

The following was presented and read and on motion, was received and the resolutions adopted.

The Committee on Canons to whom was referred the resolution, asking permission of the Council for the sale of certain property in Tuskaloosa, beg leave to offer the following resolutions:

Resolved, That the request of the Vestry of Christ Church, Tuskaloosa, be and is hereby granted, upon the condition that the proceeds of the sale be reinvested in Church Property.

Resolved, That consent be and the same is hereby given to the Vestry of Christ Church, Tuskaloosa, to sell, either for cash, or on credit, as to them may seem best, all or any part of the Rectory Property in the City of Tuskaloosa, the same being Lot No. 211, and parts of Lots 212, 213 and 214, as laid down in the official plat of said City of Tuskaloosa, and the Bishop of the Diocese is hereby authorized and directed to execute to the purchaser or purchasers, a deed or deeds of conveyance when requested so to do by the Vestry of Christ Church.

The Report of the Treasurer of the University of the South for Alabama, was received and ordered to be printed in the Appendix.

The Treasurer of the Diocese and the Treasurer of the Diocesan Missionary Fund presented their reports which were received and on motion were referred to the Committee on Finance.

The Council then resumed the discussion of certain proposed changes in the Constitution and Canons, the result of which will appear in the Appendix.

On motion it was

Resolved, That the Canon adopted at the last Council, entitled a Canon on the Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen be referred to the Standing Committee, in order that they may propose to the next Council such amendments as may bring said Canon into harmony with the Constitution of the Society for the Relief of Disabled Clergymen, and of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen.

The order of the day having arrived, the Council resolved itself into a commmittee of the whole, to consider the subject of Diocesan Missions, and after an interval, resumed its session, when the following resolutions were presented as the report of the committee:

1st. *Resolved*, That the offering on the appointed visitations of the Bishop to each Parish or Mission Station be devoted to Diocesan Missions.

2d. *Resolved*, That Mr. J. H. Fitts be appointed a committee to formulate and cary out a plan for placing an Evangelist in the Diocese and maintaining him for the space of not less than twelve months.

On motion, both of these resolutions were adopted by the Council.

On motion it was

Resolved, That the Clerical Trustee of the University of the South from this Diocese is hereby instructed and required at as early a date as possible, to formulate a plan and see that it is practically carried out, for the purpose of collecting the obligation placed on this Diocese for the support of the Theological Department of the University of the South.

On motion Messrs. DANIEL COLEMAN, J. W. NOBLE, W. W. SCREWS, C. E. WALLER and T. S. FRY were elected Lay Members of the Board of Missions.

The Secretary was instructed to cast one ballot for the Trustees and Treasurer of the Bishop's Fund; and the balloting resulted in the election of Messrs. N. H. R. DAWSON, J. H. FITTS and H. C. TOMPKINS; Mr. DAWSON being designated as Treasurer.

Mr. GEO. A. WILKINS was nominated and elected Treasurer of the Diocese of Alabama.

Mr. C. E. WALLER was nominated and elected Treasurer of the Diocesan Missionary Fund.

Mr. F. B. CLARK, JR., was nominated and elected Chancellor of the Diocese of Alabama.

The following Report from the Finance Committee was presented and read.

"The following letter from our Bishop received the earnest and thoughtful attention of your Committee."

SPRING HILL, ALA., May 13th, 1891.

My Dear Gen'l:

I apprehend that there will be some difficulty in adjusting one financial matter at the approaching Council. I wish to say one thing to you as Chairman of the Finance Committee, viz, this: That whatever is needed to make Bishop Jackson's salary equal to mine should be taken from mine and added to his. In all equity his salary should exceed mine for he is doing the principal work, but I feel assured that he would object to that. But I wish you and the Committee through you to know, that any action which looks to the adjustment of our affairs to our resources should, in my judgment, take the course indicated and furthermore, I say that it would be satisfactory to myself. I authorize you to say this, as coming from myself, both in your action in Committee and in the report which you make to the Council.

Faithfully Yours,

GEN'L R. M. NELSON. RICHARD H. WILMER.

Your Committee regret to report that owing to the disappointment in not receiving $1,000.00 from the Mission Fund, which it confidently depended upon, the finances of the Diocese are such, that it has been compelled to place the salaries of the Bishop and Assistant Bishop much below the wish of your Committee, and to raise the necessary amount to defray the expenses of the Diocese, your Committee have been compelled to assess some of the Parishes at a higher rate than last year. Your Committee hope that funds from Missions or otherwise will come in more freely during the coming year, so that,

at the next Convention your Committee may be able to advise and recommend a salary more in proportion to the valuable services and more in accord with the earnest desire of the Committee.

In the estimate of the resources, your Committee will call attention to the amount depended upon as coming from the Treasurer of the Bishop's Fund, which amount is the interest on the bonds in his possession, and your Committee ask that the Treasurer of the Bishop's Fund be requested to pay the amount in full to the Treasurer of the Diocese.

Report of the Finance Committee.

The Finance Committee beg to report that they have examined and audited the account of MR. GEO. A. WILKINS, the Treasurer of the Diocese, and find, including the balance on hand at the last Council, he has received the sum of.....$6,245 62
And that he has properly expended the sum of..... 5,929 79

Leaving a cash balance on hand of.... ....$ 115 83

The Committee further report that they have examined and audited the account of MR. CHARLES E. WALLER, Treasurer of the Diocesan Missionary Fund, and find that including the balance on hand at the last Council, he has received the sum of.....$4,329 26
And that he has properly expended thn sum of..... 3,499 70

Leaving a cash balance on hand of. .....$ 829 56

The Committee further report that they have examined and audited the account of MR. N. H. R. DAWSON, the Treasurer of the Bishop's Fund, and find that including the balance on hand at the last Council, he has received the sum of.....$2,843 99
And that he has properly expended the sum of... ..... 2,834 37

Leaving a cash balance on hand of... .....$ 9 62

THE COMMITTEE SUBMIT THE FOLLOWING AS THE REQUIREMENTS FOR 1891-91.

The Bishop's Salary	$3,000 00
The Assistant Bishop's Salary	3,000 00
The Secretary of the Council	150 00
The Treasurer of the Council. ..	50 00
The Expenses of the Council of 1890 and 91	15 00
Printing the Journal of the Council of 1890 and 91	200 00
One-half premium on Life Insurance of Bishop Wilmer	122 50
Total...	$6,537 50

AND THE FOLLOWING AS THE
ESTIMATED RESOURCES FOR 1891-92.

Cash in the hands of the Treasurer of the Diocese	$ 115 83
Cash in the hands of the Treasurer of the Bishop's Fund	9 62
Interest on the Bishop's Fund	940 00
Parishes in Arrears	145 00
Assessments from Parishes	5,512 08
Total	$6,722 53

EXHIBIT A—ASSESSMENTS FOR 1891-92.

Montgomery—St. John's Parish	$ 600 00
Mobile—Christ Church Parish	600 00
Selma—St. Paul's Parish	487 50
Huntsville—The Church of the Nativity	400 00
Birmingham—The Church of the Advent	400 00
Mobile—Trinity Church Parish	350 00
Birmingham—St. Mary's Parish	300 00
Tuskaloosa—Christ Church Parish	225 00
Anniston—Grace Church Parish	225 00
Mobile—St. John's Parish	262 50
Anniston—St. Michael and All Angels Parish	100 00
Greensboro—St. Paul's Parish	225 00
Demopolis—Trinity Church Parish	133 33
Montgomery—The Church of the Holy Comforter	100 00
Eufaula—St. James' Parish	75 00
Decatur—St. Paul's Parish	62 50
Florence—Trinity Church Parish	43 75
Sheffield—Grace Church Parish	52 50
Uniontown—The Church of the Holy Cross	45 00
Faunsdale—St. Michael's Parish	45 00
Marion—St. Wilfrid's Parish	37 50
Greenville—St. Thomas' Parish	37 50
Gallion—St. Andrew's Parish	37 50
Eutaw—St. Stephen's Parish	31 25
Mobile—The Church of the Good Shepherd	31 25
Talladega—St. Peter's Parish	31 25
Boligee—St. Mark's Parish	25 00
Jacksonville—St. Luke's Parish	31 25
Livingston—St. James' Parish	31 25
Carlowville—St. Paul's Parish	37 50
Bessemer—Trinity Church Parish	31 25
Auburn—The Church of the Holy Innocents	30 00
Hayneville—St. Andrew's Parish	18 75
Tuscumbia—St. John's Parish	18 75
Amount Carried Forward	$5,162 08

Amount Brought Forward	$5,162 08
Scottsboro—St. Luke's Parish	18 75
Troy—St. Mark's Parish	18 75
Evergreen—St. Mary's Parish	18 75
Lowndesboro—St. Paul's Parish	18 75
Athens—St. Timothy's Parish	18 75
Gadsden—The Gadsden Mission	22 50
Brierfield—The Brierfield Mission	15 00
Martins Station—St. Luke's Parish	25 00
Clayton—Grace Church Parish	15 00
Peidmont—Christ Church Parish	15 00
Tilden—Grace Church Parish	12 50
Montevallo—The Montevallo Mission	15 00
Forkland—St. John's Parish	12 50
Prattville—St. Mark's Parish	12 50
Union Springs—Trinity Church Parish	15 00
Trinity—Grace Church Parish	12 50
Opelika—Emanuel Church Parish	20 00
Bon Secour—St. Peter's Parish	12 50
Avondale—The Avondale Mission	12 50
Ironton—The Ironton Mission	12 50
Gainsville—St. Alban's Parish	6 25
Whistler—St. Paul's Parish	10 00
Clanton—The Clanton Mission	5 00
Spring Hill—St. Paul's Parish	5 00
Total	$5,512 08

Respectfully submitted, R. M. NELSON, Chairman,

H. A. TAYLOE, D. F. PROUT, JOEL WHITE,
J. L. COBBS, W. H. ROSS, J. H. FITTS,
GEO. A. WILKINS, H. R. SHORTER, D. G. DUNKLIN.

PARISHES IN ARREARS.

Birmingham—St. Mary's Parish	$ 100 00
Sheffield—Grace Church Parish	34 00
Faunsdale—St. Michael's Parish	45 00
Livingston—St. James' Parish	9 50
Bessemer—Trinity Parish	18 75
Scottsboro—St. Luke's Parish	18 75
Troy—St. Mark's Parish	18 75
Athens—St. Timothy's Parish	4 00
Martins Station—St. Luke's Parish	20 00
Union Springs—Trinity Parish	15 00
Trinity—Grace Church Parish	50
Ironton—Ironton Mission	12 50
Gainsville—St. Alban's Parish	6 25
Clanton—The Clanton Mission	5 00
Total	$ 299 00

The same Committee further reported that they had examined the Report of the Trustees of the Bishop's Fund which had been referred to them, and recommended the adoption of the following resolutions:

Resolved, That the Trustees of the Bishop's Fund are authorized and empowered to convey to the City of Montgomery, as and for a street, the strip of land on the southern boundary of the Hamner Hall Property, which was condemned for that purpose in the proceedings in the City Court of Montgomery, at the October term, 1890 of said Court.

Resolved, That the Bishop's Fund be made whole in its original investment, and that the Diocese then take the remainder of the Hamner Hall Property to do with it, as it may deem best, according to the original intention of the donors, and to accomplish this, the Trustees of the Bishop's Fund, are authorized to sell so much thereof, in such manner and to such persons as they deem best, until there shall have been returned to their trust the full amount of the debt, with interest, in liquidation of which the property was taken by the Trustees of the Bishop's Fund.

Resolved, That the Trustees are authorized to lease the buildings with so much of the property as they may not conclude to sell, for such a term of years as their judgment may approve, and to use the the rents, so far as necessary in repairing the same.

On motion the Report of the Finance Committee was received and concurred in and the resolutions adopted.

On motion it was

Resolved, That the next Annual Session of the Council be held in Christ Church, Mobile, beginning Tuesday, May 3d, 1892.

On motion it was

Resolved, That the Treasurer of the Society for the Relief of Disabled Clergymen and of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen, be requested to communicate with the Rectors of the various Parishes and ask an offering for this Society on Christmas Day.

On motion the Council adjourned till 9 A. M., Friday.

FOURTH DAY.

ANNISTON, May 22d, 1891.

The Council met pursuant to adjournment. After prayers were said, the roll was called, a quorum was found to be present and the minutes of yesterday's proceedings were read and approved. Mr. F. M. HIGHT appeared and took his seat.

The following was presented and read and on motion was received.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE STATE OF THE CHURCH.

The Committee on the State of the Church in making this report, the substance of which has no doubt been anticipated by every member of the Council who has heard the reports of our Reverend Fathers in God. The Bishop and the Assistant Bishop, and of the Treasurers of the Diocesan Missionary Fund and of the Diocese, beg leave to congratulate the Church in the Diocese through you on her present condition and future prospects.

Only at a few points of her line has there been any loss, at many her ground has been firmly held and at others, a steady and permanent advance has been made. Losses by the removal and death of some of the Clergy, though full to us of regret and sorrow, are being supplied by faithful and tried men, who as in all wars, must come in to take their places in the line of battle. The strength that is taken from some Parish or Mission Station by removal is not lost in most cases to the Diocese, but is transferred to some other part of the line.

In the matter of finances we have more than held our own. The Clergy in general have been paid up in full. The receipts for Diocesan Missions exceed by a small amount, those of last year, and that too under the financial depression of the past year and other adverse conditions. The Diocesan Treasurer's report shows that the large majority of the Parishes and Mission Stations have met their obligations and left no burden of debt upon the treasury, notwithstanding the increased demands laid upon it.

Along the whole line of our Missionary operations there has been a steady advance. While old Stations have been held, new points have been and are being opened. New Churches have been built, new Rectories are being planned for and will be built. The Clergy are united and loyal, and show no diminution of zeal and labor, as witness the Parochial Reports, in all the departments of their work. Baptisms outnumber those of last year, the Confirmed exceed those of last year by 348 and those of any previous year of our history by a large number.

The completion of this grand group of buildings as a centre of work is the earnest not only of what can *be, but also we* trust of *what will* be done in the future by those who hold their wealth as a trust from God.

Out of the ashes of one burned Church has arisen another more glorious and in nothing more so than in the brightness of the zeal and devotion of its congregation both developed and revealed by the darkness of this seeming calamity. Another congregation, stunned by a like calamity and bereft of its Leader, is already laying wiser and broader and higher foundations for the erection of a noble House of God.

Finally, your Committee, while recalling encouraging and perhaps already anticipated facts to your minds, beg leave to add as last but not least the fact, that in the conflict for the Faith to which we are soon to return, the good Providence of our great Captain, through the guidance of the Holy Ghost, has added to the wisdom in counsel of our aged and beloved Leader, the zeal and

strength and consecrated manliness of an Assistant whose work among us already gives earnest of future advance, and conquest and the triumphant tone of whose address calls every one of us not only to hope, but also to lay aside every weight to a deeper and truer consecration and to a more earnest purpose to go wherever the wisdom of the former shall bid us, and the example of the latter shall constrain us to follow.

THOS. J. BEARD, Chairman,	J. F. SMITH,
F. B. LEE,	J. A. HARRISON,
ALONZO HILL,	R. J. LIDE,
W. L. BROWN,	A. MCCOLLISTER.

On motion it was

Resolved, That the thanks of this Council are most gratefully tendered to the Rectors and members of the Parishes of St. Michael and All Angels and Grace Church, Anniston, for their courteous and generous hospitality during the conciliar session of 1891.

On motion it was

Resolved, That the Secretary be instructed to tender the thanks of the Council to the various Rail Roads which offered reduced rates to the members of this body.

On motion it was

Resolved, That the Secretary be instructed to have printed 600 copies of the Journal of this Council, with the Constitution and Canons.

On motion it was

Resolved, That the night of the second day of the session of each Annual Council be set apart for consideration of the claims of the Society for the Relief of Disabled Clergymen and of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen.

On motion permission was granted the Secretary to print the Proceedings of this Society in the Appendix to the Journal.

The following Preamble and Resolutions were presented and read, and, on motion, were unanimously adopted.

WHEREAS the Rev. W. A. Stickney, who for so many years has been an earnest and zealous member of this Council, devoting every energy to the good of the Diocese and the upbuilding of the Church, has been kept by sickness from meeting with us,

Therefore, Be it Resolved by the Council of the Diocese now assembled, that the Secretary express in writing to our brother, our sincere sorrow for his absence, our heartfelt sympathy for him in his affliction, and that we earnestly pray that the Father will soon restore him to health, and his accustomed usefulness to the Church of God, and his place among us.

On motion, the Council took a recess, and after a brief interval resumed its session.

The following was presented and read.

The Committee to whom was referred that portion of the Bishop's Address which relates to the death of the Rev. B. F. Mower and the Rev. Geo. M. Everhart, D. D., beg leave to report.

That it is the sense of this Council that in the death of the Rev. B. F. Mower, the Church has sustained the loss of one whose long and faithful services demand his grateful recognition. His memory should inspire the desire and effort to emulate his example. The Rev. Geo. M. Everhart, D. D., in addition to the duties of an active Ministry, was earnestly devoted to the work of teaching, and the cause of christian education shares with the Church the loss she has sustained in his death.

Your Committee recommend the adoption of the following resolutions:

Resolved, That we extend our sincere sympathy to the afflicted families and that memorial pages of the Journal be set apart for the fitting commemoration of these our faithful Brethren.

J. M. Banister, P. A. Fitts, J. A. Van Hoose.

On motion the report was received and the resolution adopted by a rising vote.

On motion it was

Resolved, That it is hereby made the duty of all Rector's and Missionaries in charge of Parishes and Mission Stations, to close their accounts relating to Parochial Reports on the 30th day of April, and to present the same on the first day of the session of the Council.

The Secretary will call the roll of the Clergy immediately after the organization of the Council, and each Clergyman, as his name is called will lay his report upon the Secretary's table.

The Committee on Parochial Reports then presented their Report, which, on motion, they were granted permission to print in the appendix to the Journal.

The minutes were then read and approved, and after prayers, the Gloria in Excelsis was sung, the benediction was pronounced, and the Council, on motion, adjourned "sine die."

H. M. JACKSON,
President of the Council.

R. H. COBBS,
Secretary.

APPENDIX A.

ANNUAL ADDRESS OF THE BISHOP OF THE DIOCESE OF ALABAMA,

TO THE COUNCIL, MAY 19th, 1891.

1890—May 20th. I met the Annual Council of the Diocese in St. John's, Montgomery, and, after Divine Service and a sermon by the Rev. Erastus W. Spalding, D. D., I celebrated the Holy Communion.

I spent the remainder of that week in attendance upon the sessions of the Council. As is well known, the Proceedings of that Council outside of matters of routine resulted in the election of the Rev. J. S. Lindsay, D. D., as the Assistant Bishop of the Diocese.

I did not in my address before that Council make any request for an Assistant. Two years before, I had brought the matter before the Diocese in a circular letter. But the suggestion met with so little favor that, at the Council of 1888 I withdrew the circular and, consequently, no action was taken by the Council. So evident was the opposition to the election of an Assistant, that I determined never again to open the subject, but to await action upon the part of the Council. I had done my duty in bringing the subject matter to their attention. I knew full well that I was unable to meet the demand of a rapidly growing population, but I yielded my judgment to the manifest wishes of my brethren.

Following out the line of my resolution, I did not broach the subject again, but resolved to do what I had strength to do, and await the future, as events might determine. The action of the Council at Montgomery requesting me to consent to the election of an Assistant released me from all embarrassment, and I

yielded my consent to an election with the full conviction that, to say nothing of my own personal comfort, the interest of the Diocese demanded it. The regularly organized Parishes may be to some extent supplied by the services of an old man, but the Mission work of a Diocese needs the labors of a young and vigerous Bishop.

My health at this time forbade any services in the pulpit, and I became indebted to many of my brethren, who freely supplemented my defective Ministrations as follows, viz: during the Session of the Council.

May 22d. At St. John's, Montgomery, after a sermon by the Rev. Dr. Tucker, I confirmed 29 persons.

May 23. At Church of the Holy Comforter, Montgomery, after a sermon by the Rev. Philip A. Fitts, I confirmed 14 persons.

May 25th. (Whitsunday.) At Church of the Holy Innocents, Auburn, after a sermon by the Rev. J. L. Lancaster, I confirmed 6 persons, and celebrated Holy Communion.

June 1st. (Trinity Sunday.) I made an address and celebrated the Holy Communion at St. Paul's, Spring Hill.

June 3d. At Grace Church, Anniston, I confirmed 3 persons, and, also, 1 in private.

June 4th. I married a couple at the Church of St. Michael and All Angels, the Rev. Philip A. Fitts participating in the service.

From Anniston I went to the mountains of Virginia in search of health, officiating here and there as health permitted and opportunity offered.

July 3d. I received intelligence that Bishop Johnston had officiated in my behalf at St. Mary's, Birmingham, and confirmed 32 persons, viz: 19 from St. Mary's; 1 from Avondale; 1 from Woodlawn and 11 from Church of the Advent, 32.

Whilst absent, it was my privilege to minister by the death bed of one of the Clergy of the Diocese of Virginia— the Rev. J. W. Shields. A privilege it was indeed to be permitted to minister unto him and to catch the radiance of his face as he drew near the gates of Paradise. A fore-splendor of its coming glories irradiated his whole person as he united with myself and the little group around him in ascriptions of glory to God

in the Highest. I have witnessed many beautiful scenes and have heard glorious music, but there is vouchsafed to man no spectacle so glorious as the death of one of God's saints, who dies consciously in the Lord, and there is no sound so rapturous as the triumphant song of one, who going up on High pours out his soul in ascriptions of praise to the Lamb of God, who has washed him with His blood. The memory of that scene can never leave me. I could catch some glimpse of what the Psalmist meant when he wrote "Right dear in the sight of the Lord is the death of His Saints." How is it that we cannot hold more dear in our eyes that which is so precious in the sight of the Lord?

I went with his remains to the little Church at Mount Jackson which he so dearly loved, and spoke words of consolation to his stricken flock.

Whilst sojourning in the mountains and inhaling once again my native air, I felt the tide of renewed health flowing back, and was encouraged to hope that on my return home I should be able to do some active and continuous work. Just at this time, I received notice of the declination of the call on the part of Dr. Lindsay, and resolved to return home and resume active work. Accordingly I issued a circular, declining to call a Special Council at that time, notwithstanding many protests received, deprecating any further delay.

A brief experiment satisfied me that, whilst I could perform occasional services, I was incapable of any continuous labor such as that involved in a visitation; and having assurance both from the action of the Council in May and from numerous letters received — some of these letters from Vestries— that a majority of the Clergy and Laity desired it, I issued the circular, which convened the Council at St. Paul's, Selma, on October the 29th.

On my way home in September, I stopped at Anniston, in order to fulfill an appointment to consecrate the new Church on St. Michael's Day.

September 28th. (17th Sunday after Trinity.) I preached at the new Church at Gadsden and confirmed 4 persons, In the afternoon of same day, at the request of the Rector in charge, I baptized an infant.

The Church Building at Gadsden owes its erection to the zeal and liberality of a very few people. I trust that it may soon be free from debt, and consecrated.

September 29th. (St. Michael and All Angels.) I duly and canonically consecrated a new Church Building at Anniston, under the name of "St. Michael and All Angels." The Rt. Rev. the Bishop of Tennessee and the Rev. Dr. Gailor, Vice Chancellor of the University of the South, were present, and participated in the services. A goodly number of our own Clergy were present, and a large congregation filled the spacious Temple. An appropriate sermon was preached by the Rev. R. S. Barrett, of the Diocese of Georgia.

As is well known, this beautiful and massive building was erected by Mr. John W. Noble of Anniston, in memory of James Noble and his son, Samuel Noble. The property is deeded to "The Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Alabama"; in conformity to "the Act of Incorporation" by the Legislature of Alabama.

Connected with the Church Building proper is a commodious Clergy House, and a Lecture and Sunday School room, also an Infirmary. The equipment is complete. I have seen nothing equal to it in our Southern Dioceses. This gift of Mr. Noble deserves an adequate recognition on the part of the Diocese. Should the growth of the congregation be at all commensurate with the beauty of the structure and the completeness of its equipment, the "Church of St. Michael and All Angels" is destined to be the centre of a great Church work. May God of His infinite goodness crown the whole undertaking with His Blessing. Amen.

At Evening service of same day, after a sermon by the Rev. Dr. Gailor, I confirmed 5 persons at Grace Church, Anniston.

October 6th. Celebrated our Golden Wedding Day, and received from many persons substantial tokens of their affectionate regards. God bless the dear people of the Diocese of Alabama.

October 4th. Celebrated Holy Communion with a sick person in private.

October 21st. Confirmed a sick person in private, and celebrated Holy Communion. The candidate was presented by the Rev. J. L. Lancaster.

October 26th. (21st Sunday after Trinity.) Preached and celebrated Holy Communion at St. Paul's, Spring Hill.

October 29th. Attended the "Special Council," which I had previously summoned, preached the opening sermon, and celebrated Holy Communion.

The Council then proceeded to the business which was before them, and the result was the election of the Rev. Henry Melville Jackson, D. D., Rector of Grace Church, Richmond, Va., to be the Bishop Coadjutor (or Assistant Bishop, to use the canonical terminology) of the Diocese of Alabama.

I took no part in the proceedings, save to preside in the Council. I had never, intimated to any person whatsoever the man whom I preferred to be my successor, and should have given cordial support to any one they might have chosen, having full assurance that the votes of this Council would never be cast for an unworthy man.

The election of a Bishop is ordinarily a matter of extreme delicacy and difficulty; the election of an Assistant Bishop is attended with peculiar difficulties. It is the Supreme prerogative of the Clergy and Laity to make their own unbiassed selection, and it should be the especial concern of the Bishop to have a care lest any undue influence should be exerted on his part.

I need not report what I felt at liberty to say after the election had taken place— viz: that I accepted the result with entire satisfaction, and grateful recognition of the Divine goodness which had brought us to such a happy consummation.

November 1st. (All Saint's Day.) Preached and celebrated Holy Communion at Christ Church, Tuskaloosa.

Among all the departed saints we especially bore in mind the late beloved Rector of this Church, the Rev. James H. Stringfellow, so recently departed, blessing and magnifying the "Holy Name" for all the grace made manifest in the blameless life and righteous death of this our beloved brother.

November 2d. (22d Sunday after Trinity.) Preached at same Church, and confirmed 6 persons.

In the afternoon of same day, I baptized 4 children.

November 3d. At same Church, I made an address and confirmed 3 persons. After this latter service, I met the Vestry

and conferred with them on matters pertaining to the welfare of the Parish.

November 9th. (23d Sunday after Trinity.) I preached at Trinity Church, Mobile.

November 12th. I lectured at Trinity Church, and confirmed 2 persons.

November 16th. (24th Sunday after Trinity.) I preached at St. John's, Mobile.

November 30th. (1st Sunday in Advent.) I preached at Christ Church, Mobile.

December 25. (The Nativity.) I preached at St. Paul's Church, Spring Hill, and celebrated Holy Communion.

1891—January 4th. (2d Sunday after Christmas.) I preached at St. John's, Mobile, and confirmed 10 persons.

January 5th. Received from the Presiding Bishop of the Church in the United States the "Order for the consecration of the Bishop Coadjutor of the Diocese of Alabama." This "Order" authorized the Bishop of Alabama in conjunction with the Bishop of South Carolina, and the Bishop Coadjutor of the Diocese of Virginia, to select time and place, and to proceed to the consecration of the Bishop Elect.

January 18th. (2d Sunday after Epiphany.) Participated in Divine service at St. Paul's, Spring Hill, the Bishop Elect, Rev. Dr. Jackson officiating.

January 21st. Pursuant to notice, the consecration of Rev. Henry Melville Jackson, D. D., took place at St. Paul's Church, Selma. I officiated as consecrator by authorization of the Presiding Bishop. The sermon was preached by the Rt. Rev. Dr. Randolph, Bishop Coadjutor of the Diocese of Virginia. The Bishop Elect was presented for consecration by the Bishops of Mississippi and West Virginia, and the Bishops of South Carolina, West Virginia, Bishop Coadjutor of Virginia and Bishop of Mississippi united with me in the act of consecration by the laying on of hands.

Thus was consummated the consecration of our present Bishop Coadjutor to whom I give my entire confidence in the responsible office for which he has been unanimously elected by the Council of the Diocese of Alabama.

January 25th. (Conversion of St. Paul.) I preached at St. John's, Montgomery.

January 27th. Held an examination of Rev. Percy W. Jones (Deacon) for Priest's Orders.

January 27th. Received from Rev. J. L. Tucker, D. D., and Rev. J. L. Lancaster certificate of satisfactory examination on the part of Rev. Percy W. Jones.

February 1st. (Sexagesima Sunday.) At Trinity Church, Mobile, I ordained to the Priesthood Revs. Walter C. Whitaker and Percy W. Jones, candidates presented by the Rev. J. L. Lancaster, and sermon preached by the Rev. Vardry McBee. I celebrated Holy Communion.

February 8th. (Quinquagesima.) Preached at Church of the "Good Shepherd," Mobile, and confirmed 10 persons.

February 11th. (Ash Wednesday.) Participated in services at St. John's Church, Mobile.

March 1st. (3d Sunday in Lent.) Preached at St. Paul's, Whistler, confirmed 11 persons, and celebrated Holy Communion.

March 15th. (5th Sunday in Lent.) Preached at Trinity, Mobile, confirmed 15 persons, and celebrated Holy Communion. This number, together with 3 previously confirmed makes in all 18 confirmed in this Church since last report.

April 19th. (3d Sunday after Easter.) Officiated at Christ Church, Mobile, at Evening Service, and, after a sermon by Bishop Jackson, confirmed 21 persons.

May 17th. (Whitsunday.) Preached at Grace Church, Anniston, and celebrated Holy Communion. At Evening service, after a sermon by Rev. G. C. Tucker, I confirmed 7 persons.

The following is a summary of my official acts for Conciliar Year just ended.

Marriages	1
Baptisms, Infants	9
Lay Readers Licensed	16
Priests Ordained	2
Persons Confirmed, (by myself 148) (by Bishop Johnston 32)	180
Churches Consecrated	1
Bishop's Consecrated	1

Summary of the Bishop Coadjutor's official acts for Conciliar Year just ended.

Marriages..... 1
Baptisms, Infants 2, Adults 4, Total..... 6
Funerals..... 2
Persons Confirmed.....378

Summary of Episcopal labors by the Bishop and his Coadjutor in the Diocese of Alabama during the conciliar year 1890-91, viz:

Marriages..... 2
Baptisms—Infants, 11; Adults, 4—Total..... 15
Funerals..... 2
Lay Readers Licensed..... 16
Number of Persons Confirmed.....558
Priests Ordained..... 2
Churches Consecrated..... 1
Bishops Consecrated..... 1

I have transferred to other Dioceses as follows, namely:
Rev. Robt. J. Walker, to the Diocese of North Carolina.
Rev. Chas. E. Cabaniss, to the Diocese of Georgia.
Rev. Vardry McBee, to the Diocese of Tennessee.
Rev. L. W. Rose, to the Diocese of Virginia.

I have received into the Diocese by Letters Dimissory,
Rev. A. J. Tardy, from the Diocese of Louisiana.
Rev. Henry A. Skinner, from the Diocese of Mississippi.
Rev. Wm. D. Martin, from the Diocese of Albany.

CLERICAL CHANGES WITHIN THE DIOCESE.

Rev. A. J. Tardy on account of ill health was obliged to resign his charge of Bessemer.

Rev. Benj. Dennis has charge of the Church at Bessemer and adjacent Mission points.

Rev. Walter C. Whitaker takes charge of the Church of the Holy Comforter, in place of Rev. Vardry McBee, resigned.

Rev. Henry A. Skinner becomes assistant to the Rev. Dr. Spalding, St. James' Church, Eufaula, and supplies the Mission stations of Troy and Union Springs.

Rev. Wm. D. Martin takes charge of the "Church of St. Michael and All Angels," Anniston, consent given.

I have given canonical consent to the consecration of the Rev. Dr. Atwill to the Episcopate of West Missouri.

OFFICIAL NOTICES RECEIVED, VIZ:

Of deposition of Chas. L. Daniel, by Bishop of Pennsylvania; of deposition of T. Hood, by Bishop of Colorado; of deposition of F. O. Osborne, by Bishop of Fond du Lac; of deposition of J. Lester Morton, by Bishop of New York; of deposition of Henry L. Teller, by Bishop of Central New York; of deposition of Fred S. Barstow, by Assistant Bishop of California; of deposition of J. B. Drysdale, by Bishop of Long Island; of deposition of P. R. Reese, by Bishop of Central Pennsylvania; of deposition of James H. Gray, (Deacon,) by Bishop of Pittsburg; of deposition of John B. Garland, by Bishop South Dakota; of deposition of Wm. L. Woodruff, by Bishop of Central Pennsylvania; of deposition of Edmund S. Middleton, by Bishop of Massachusetts; of deposition of Henry K. Boyer, (Deacon,) by Bishop of Central Pennsylvania; of deposition of J. J. H. Reedy, by Bishop of Iowa; of deposition of John Coleman, by Assistant Bishop of Minnesota; notification that the name of Herbert J. Porcher, has been stricken from the list of Candidates for Orders, by the Bishop of Nevada and Utah, also notification that the name of Oscar G. West, has been dropped from the list of Candidates for Orders, by the Bishop of Missouri; also that the name of Ed. A. Morse, has been stricken from the list of Candidates for the Priesthood, by the Bishop of Missouri; that the name of William Calvin Lindsay, has been stricken from the list of Candidates for Priests Orders, by Bishop of West Virginia; that Rutson Maury Ludlow, has been stricken from the list of Candidates for Priesthood, by Bishop of Maryland.

CONDITION OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

STATE OF CHURCH HOME FUNDS, MAY 1ST, 1891.

To prime cost of Bonds chiefly Reg. Ala	$25,393.70
Face value of said Bonds	$30,655.00
Present market value about	$32,000.00
Showing gain by investment	$ 6,606.30

There are twenty-seven (27) Ala. Reg. Bonds of one thousand ($1,000) each. In the course of a few years these bonds will pay 5 per cent. interest. This will materially increase the resources of the Homes. These institutions have been mainly built up and supported by the liberality of the people of Mobile, although orphan children come to us from every part of the State.

With the number of children now under charge we have up to this time cared for one hundred and fifty-one orphans, many of whom have reflected great credit upon the training and nurture which they received at the Church Homes.

I greatly desire to see these Institutions self-supporting and to enlarge our operations in the way of Infirmaries, Widow's Homes, and the like.

I trust that all this in time will be realized, and I trust, moreover, that the Diocese of Alabama will ever keep in mind these Institutions upon which so much labor has been expended.

THE PRESENT STATE OF THE CHURCH IN THE DIOCESE.

I would that I had the strength to go fully into a consideration of this whole subject. But I am compelled by disability to write these lines by dictation and must therefore be brief.

Some years ago at a Council of the Diocese of Alabama, held at Trinity Church, Mobile, I was enabled to report every Parish and Missionary Station supplied, and the minimum salary of every Clergyman to be not less than one thousand dollars per annum. As we all know, the present state of things is very different.

I will briefly indicate the causes of this change.

The sudden and unexampled development of mineral wealth of the State, whilst giving promise of a great ultimate growth of population and a consequent extension of the Church, has as yet been the cause of much diminution of population in our vilages, and a consequent inability of the people to support the ministrations of the Church. Many of our village Churches have been literally drained by the almost magical growth of large centres of population. This state of things has produced for the moment a paralyzing effect.

The people who flock to our new cities, go there to increase their fortunes. As a rule, they are not possessed of much means and are scarcely able to establish themselves in business. Hence they are not able to do much in building Churches and supporting ministers. Those among them who have wealth, invest their means in speculative purchases. The consequence of this is the difficulty of supporting ministers who are therefore obliged to seek other fields.

The city of Anniston is a signal exception to this remark.

Then again, as I have intimated above, the people in the newer and smaller towns are without the ministrations of the Church.

Therefore there is a rapid increase in the demand for ministers with a commensurate inability to support them. At this moment we are face to face with this state of things, an increased demand for Clergy with a diminished ability to support them.

This abnormal condition will not, of course, be of long continuance, but at present it involves us in serious difficulties. Our Mission funds, at their present scale, are utterly inadequate to remedy the evil. We have among us no men of wealth who show a spirit of generosity beyond their own parochial bounds.

Hence, while I remark with pleasure the beautifying of our churches and the building of new ones in many instances, I have to lament the absence of that spirit which takes in, and cares for, the needs of the whole Diocese. A narrow spirit of Parochialism renders impossible any great extension of Missionary schemes.

I do not address you thus in any morbid and dispondent tone of feeling. For sure I am that upon the whole, the progress of the Church in Alabama is onward; and I feel the strongest assurance that before many years are past, the Diocese of Alabama will take a leading position among the Dioceses of the South.

We have all the material resources that a Diocese could have. We have an earnest and godly ministry and a laity who only need to see in order to embrace the opportunity. What we *do* need is the intelligent and earnest conviction on the part of our people, both clergy and laity, of the need of well directed, systematic effort.

Just think, that if every communicant in the Diocese would lay by a dime the first day of the week, we would have sufficient in the Treasury to support two Bishops and two Evangelists.

"He who despiseth little things, shall perish by little and little."

But this whole matter will come up for future consideration in a committee of the whole during our present session.

SCHOOLS OF THE DIOCESE.

Hamner Hall is still vacant, and I have never yet been able to see why it should not be a successful educational centre. The Noble Institutes for boys and girls, are the generous gifts to the Diocese from a single family for educational purposes. The buildings are now in your midst, and well deserve your observation and inspection. They richly merit the interest and support of the whole Church. It may appear to some that there would be a rivalry of interests between the two schools, the one at Anniston, the other at Montgomery. But the truth is, that in order to accomplish our portion of the educational work of the Church, there should be a third school at Huntsville.

This whole subject demands an early and earnest consideration at the hands of this Council.

NECROLOGICAL.

Since my last Annual Report to the Council, we have lost by death three from the works of our clergy.

Rev. James H. Stringfellow.

Rev. B. F. Mower.

Rev. George M. Everhart, D. D.

I made known to the Special Council in October, the death of the Rev. James H. Stringfellow, and gave expression to my sense of the loss we had sustained. A report of the proceedings of the Special Council will appear in the journal of the present Annual Council.

The Rev. Mr. Mower had long been connected with this Diocese. He had ever been, according to his ability, a faithful worker in the Church, and he has left behind him the record of a true and faithful minister of Jesus Christ.

The Rev. Dr, Everhart too has been called from our midst after a ministry of many years. In early life, he became enthus-

iastic in the course of education. While yet in the Methodist Ministry, he built up a flourishing female seminary, at Huntsville, Ala. After taking orders in the Church, he was for many years principal of the church school at Kenosha, Wisconsin.

Thence he came into the Diocese of Alabama, and took charge of Hamner Hall. He occupied this position for some eight years. Nearly two years ago he removed to Decatur, Ga., still retaining, however, his canonical connection with the Diocese of Alabama, as rector of Emanuel Church, Opelika.

The following resolutions passed at the last meeting of the Vestry of Emanuel Church, Opelika, gives expression to their appreciation of his work among them and their sense of their loss:

"WHEREAS, it has pleased Almighty God in His infinite"
"wisdom to remove from us our honored and beloved Rector,"
"George M. Everhart, D. D., who died at his home in Decatur,"
"Georgia, Sunday morning, April 26th, 1891, therefore be it"
"RESOLVED, That the Parish, Vestry and members of Eman-"
"uel Church do testify that in the death of our Rector, the"
"Church and community have sustained a great loss. That"
"we are bowed down in grief, and that our love and reverence"
"for our Rector know no bounds."

Let us, my brethren, in view of these repeated instances of mortality among our ranks, take serious admonition of the uncertainty of human life, never failing to remember in our prayers and active sympathies the widows and orphans of these our departed brethren, for we know not how soon we may be called upon to give an account of our labors.

Invoking the aid of the Holy Spirit that we may have right judgment in all things, perceiving and knowing what we ought to do and having strength to do the same

I am, Yours faithfully and affectionately,

RICHARD H. WILMER,

APPENDIX B.

REPORT OF EPISCOPAL ACTS

—BY THE—

ASSISTANT BISHOP OF ALABAMA.

MY DEAR BRETHREN OF THE CLERGY AND LAITY OF THE DIOCESE OF ALABAMA:

On Wednesday, the 21st day of January, 1891, in St. Paul's Church, Selma, I was consecrated to the office of Assistant Bishop of this Diocese, to which your suffrages had called me. I entered upon the responsible duties of this office with all those misgivings, with which a man might naturally be expected to encounter a work of such magnitude and sacred significance. But my trust then was and is now in God our Father, and in the power of His Holy Spirit. And I feel that, in rendering you this report of my official acts, I must make acknowledgment of the "directions and assistances" of that Holy Spirit, and the many tokens vouchsafed to me of my Father's blessing.

And I may be permitted to say, what I have desired opportunity to say, that in all the prosecution of this work I confidently rely upon the tried and tested fidelity of the devoted clergy and loyal laity of Alabama.

I have hitherto made no protestations or promises, but I do now in the presence of my God and of this Council of His Holy Church solemnly pledge to you the unreserved service of my life.

And since I have but now entered upon this work I submit to you a report of my official acts without recommendation or suggestion, note or comment.

1891—January 21st. I preached in St. Paul's Church, Selma.

January 25th. (Septuagesima Sunday.) In the morning preached in the Church of St. Michael and All Angels, Anniston. In the evening preached in Grace Church, Anniston, and confirmed 7,

January 28th. At Montgomery, confirmed 1 person in private, presented by the Rev. Dr. Stringfellow.

January 30th. Preached at Coalburg and confirmed 1.

January 31st. Visited Jefferson Co. Poor House and confirmed three candidates, presented by the Rev. Mr. Beard.

On the evening of same day preached in St. John's, Elyton, and confirmed 2, also presented by the Rev. Mr. Beard.

February 1st. (Sexagesima Sunday.) Preached in the morning in the Church of the Advent, Birmingham, and confirmed 38. In the evening preached in St. Mary's, Birmingham, and confirmed 13.

February 2d. Preached in Trinity, Bessemer, and confirmed 8.

February 3d. Preached in Calvary Church, Woodlawn, and confirmed 2.

February 4th. Preached in Christ Church, Avondale, and confirmed 7.

February 5th. Preached in St. Paul's, Decatur, and confirmed 3.

February 6th. Preached at St. Luke's, Scottsboro.

February 7th. Visited Bridgeport, Jackson Co. Found at this point thirteen communicants and excellent prospects of a new church.

February 8th. (Quinquagesima Sunday.) Preached in the Church of the Nativity, Huntsville, in the morning and again at night. At latter service confirmed 14.

February 9th. Celebrated the Holy Communion in the Church of the Nativity, Huntsville.

On the evening of same day preached in St. Timothy, Athens, and confirmed 2.

February 10th. Preached in St. Paul's, Decatur.

February 11th. Preached again in St. Paul's, Decatur, and confirmed 2.

On the evening of same day preached in Grace Church, Trinity Station.

February 12th. Celebrated the Holy Communion in Grace Church, Trinity Station.

On the evening of the same day preached in Grace Church, Sheffield.

February 13th. Preached in the morning in St. John's, Tuscumbia, and celebrated the Holy Communion. In the evening preached in Trinity Church, Florence, and confirmed 6.

February 14th. In Trinity Church, Florence, baptized 1 adult, confirmed 1, and celebrated the Holy Communion.

February 15th. (First Sunday in Lent.) Preached in Grace, Sheffield, and celebrated Holy Communion. In the afternoon preached in St. John's, Tuscumbia, and confirmed 2.

At night preached again in Grace, Sheffield, and confirmed 4.

February 16th. Officiated at the funeral of the Rev. B. F. Mower in Trinity Church, Florence. It was also my privilege to minister to this servant of God in the closing hours of his life.

February 17th to 23d inclusive. Held a Mission in St. John's, Montgomery, preaching twice each day.

February 20th. Confirmed 1 in St. John's, Montgomery.

February 22d. Confirmed 1 and celebrated Holy Communion in St. John's, Montgomery.

March 1st. (Third Sunday in Lent.) Preached in Grace Church, Richmond, Va., and celebrated Holy Communion. Preached again at night in the same Church.

March 2d. Preached in St. Luke's, Norfolk, Va.

March 7th. Preached in St. Paul's Church, Selma.

March 8th. (Fourth Sunday in Lent.) Preached in St. Paul's, Selma. At Evening service preached in same Church and confirmed 11.

March 13th. Made address at afternoon Lenten service in Grace Church, Anniston.

March 15th. (Fifth Sunday in Lent.) Upon request of Standing Committee of the Diocese of Georgia, visited Marietta, Georgia, preached and confirmed 6. On evening of same day preached in St. Phillip's, Atlanta, and confirmed 13.

March 18th. Preached in St. Luke's, Jacksonville, and confirmed 1.

March 19th. At Jacksonville, confirmed 1 in private presented by Rev. W. T. Allen. On evening of same day preached in Christ Church, Piedmont, and confirmed 2.

March 22d. (Sunday before Easter.) Preached in the Church of the Holy Innocents, Auburn, and celebrated Holy Communion. On evening of same day preached and confirmed 5.

March 23d. Preached in Emanuel, Opelika, baptized 1 adult and confirmed 2.

March 24th. Preached at Mt. Meigs, and confirmed 10.

March 26th. (Holy Thursday.) Celebrated the Holy Communion in St. John's, Montgomery.

March 27th. (Good Friday.) Preached in St. John's, Montgomery.

March 28th. At Montgomery, confirmed 2 persons in private, presented by Rev. W. C. Whitaker.

On evening of same day preached in St. John's, Montgomery, and confirmed 44.

March 29th. (Easter Sunday.) Preached in St. John's Montgomery, and celebrated Holy Communion. In the afternoon addressed the Sunday School of St. John's, and at night preached in the Church of the Holy Comforter, and confirmed 8.

March 30th. Married in the Church of the Holy Comforter, Montgomery, the Rev. W. C. Whitaker and Isabel Royall, assisted by the Ven'le. Horace Stringfellow, D. D., and the Rev. G. R. Upton.

April 5th. (First Sunday after Easter.) Preached in the Church of St. Michael and All Angels, Anniston, confirmed 15, and celebrated the Holy Communion. In the afternoon preached in the Oxford Mission, assisted in the service by the Rev. P. A. Fitts, priest in charge. At night preached in the Church of St. Michael and All Angels.

April 6. Confirmed in private a sick person, candidate presented by the Rev. W. D. Martin.

On the night of the same day preached in St. Peter's, Talladega, and confirmed 1.

April 7th. Preached at Montevallo.

April 8th. Preached at Montevallo, and confirmed 1.

On the night of the same day preached at Brierfield, and confirmed 9.

April 12th. Preached in St. James', Eufaula, and celebrated Holy Communion, and at night preached again and confirmed 8.

April 13th. Preached in Grace, Clayton.

April 14th. Confirmed 2 in Grace, Clayton, and celebrated Holy Communion.

On same day at night preached at Union Springs, and confirmed 6.

April 15th. Preached in St. Mark's, Troy, and confirmed 2.

April 16th. Preached in St. James', Eufaula, and confirmed 2.

April 19th. Preached in St. John's, Mobile, and confirmed 35. At night preached in Christ Church, Mobile.

April 22d. Preached in St. Luke's, Atlanta, Ga., and confirmed 21.

April 25th. Preached in Trinity, Bessemer.

April 26th. Preached in Trinity, Bessemer, celebrated Holy Communion and confirmed 7.

Preached at night in same Church and confirmed 2.

April 28th. At Decatur, Ga., officiated at the funeral of the Rev. Geo. M. Everhart, D. D., assisted by the Ven'le. Horace Stringfellow, D. D., and the Rev. R. S. Barrett, D. D.

April 29th. Preached in St. Paul's, Lowndesboro, and confirmed 1. Preached again at night in same Church.

April 30th. Preached at St. Andrew's, Hayneville, and confirmed 2. Preached again at night in same Church.

May 1st. Preached in St. Andrew's, Hayneville. Preached again at night and confirmed 4.

May 3d. Preached in Christ Church, Tuskaloosa, and celebrated Holy Communion. In the afternoon baptized 2 adults in same Church. Preached in same Church at night and confirmed 11.

May 4th. Preached in St. Stephen's, Eutaw, and confirmed 12.

May 5th. Confirmed in private 2 persons, candidates presented by the Rev. W. R. Dye.

On night of same day preached in St. Mark's, Boligee, and confirmed 1.

May 6th. Preached in St. John's, Forkland, and celebrated the Holy Communion.

May 7th. (Ascension Day.) Preached in St. Mark's, Boligee.

May 8th. Baptized in St. Mark's, Boligee, two infants.

On the same day at night, preached in St. James', Livingston, and confirmed 5, of whom two were of the parish of St. Paul's, Carlowville.

May 9th. Celebrated Holy Communion in St. James', Livingston.

May 10th. (Sunday after Ascension.) Preached in Trinity, Demopolis, and confirmed 17, of whom one from St. John's, Forkland. At night preached again in Trinity, Demopolis.

May 11th. Preached in St. Andrew's, Gallion, confirmed 2, and celebrated Holy Communion.

May 12th. Preached in St. Michael's, Faunsdale, confirmed 2, and celebrated Holy Communion.

May 13th. Preached in the Church of the Holy Cross, Uniontown, and confirmed 3.

May 14th. Celebrated the Holy Communion in the Church of the Holy Cross, Uniontown.

May 15th. Preached in St. Wilfrid's Church, Marion, and confirmed 4.

May 16th. Preached in St. Wilfrid's, Marion.

May 17th. Preached in St. Paul's, Greensboro, and celebrated the Holy Communion. In the afternoon I was present at the festival of the Sunday School and addressed the children.

At night preached in the same Church, and confirmed 17.

May 18th. Celebrated the Holy Communion in St. Paul's Church, Greensboro.

I cannot close this report without at least a brief expression of my grateful appreciation of the cordial reception accorded me by Clergy and Laity alike. Everywhere hearts and homes were opened to me. Labor was lightened by thoughtful consideration. From your Bishop, I have received the welcome which a father extends to a son. In the presence of a hospitality which was unaffected and gracious, under the influence of a sympathy as unostentatious as it was true, recipient of an affectionate regard which I had never won, but was freely given, I have utterly forgotten that I was ever a stranger to this noble people.

I append a summary of my official acts:

Marriages	1
Baptisms, Infants 2, Adults 4, Total	6
Funerals	2
Persons Confirmed	378

H. M. JACKSON,

Assistant Bishop of Alabama.

APPENDIX C.

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE BISHOP'S FUND.

The Trustees of the Bishop's Fund submit the following report for the year ending with the meeting of this Council.

The account of the Treasurer accompanying this report, will show the present condition of this Fund. It will be seen that the Fund has been increased, during the year, two thousand dollars, by the purchase of Alabama Bonds which cost two thousand and ninety-one dollars and seventy-seven cents. Of this sum so invested, thirteen hundred and eighty-seven dollars and forty-three cents was derived from the damages recovered from the City of Montgomery in the proceeding to open a street along the south boundary of the Hamner Hall property.

A list of the securities of the Fund is reported by the Treasurer.

It will be remembered that the Trustees were unable to make any agreement with the City of Montgomery in regard to the opening of a street along the southern boundary of the premises. (See report of 1890.)

The facts relative to the litigation instituted by the City for the condemnation of a right of way for the opening of this street through the Hamner Hall property, are as follows:

The City, under a special law giving it the right to condemn lands for streets, and prescribing the mode of condemnation, filed by the Mayor a petition with the Circuit Clerk, stating that it had been unable to agree with the Trustees as to the value of a thirty foot strip of land on the south side of the property extending from the Mobile road to Holt Street, a distance of about 1,100 feet, and praying for the appointment of Commissioners to assess the damages for the same. These Commissioners were appointed, and valued the strip of land at five hundred dollars. From that assessment of damages the Trustees, took an appeal to the Circuit Court of Montgomery County. Not being able to obtain a trial in that Court, by consent the cause was transferred to the City Court. There it was tried in October, 1890, and the jury assessed the damages at thirteen hundred and sixty-five dollars. This sum the City subsequently paid with interest from the time of the rendition of the judgment up to the time of its payment, amounting to thirteen hundred and eighty-seven dollars and forty-three cents. A fee of sixty-five dollars was paid to Messrs. Tompkins & Troy, for their services in the case in the City Court.

It is impossible to rent the Hamner Hall property unless the Trustees are authorized to lease it for a longer time than one year. We do not think it can be leased for less than five years advantageously. Any one who would rent the property would want it for a School and no parties are willing to open a School there without a lease on the property for a term of some years. Numerous applications have been made to rent the property for School pur-

poses, but all have declined to take it when they learned that it could only be rented for one year. We believe that it can be leased for a term of five years for five or six hundred dollars per annum, or even more. This year it has not been rented at all. Some persons have been occupying some of the rooms merely paying a nominal rent. We were compelled to have it occupied in order to have it insured. The land can be divided into lots which would sell well. We could get three or four good and desirable lots fronting on Mobile street. They would have upon them a grove of fine forest oaks. The rear can be divided into a number of lots, say fifty by one hundred and fifty feet that would front upon the new street opened by the City Council. The new street is sixty feet wide. This would leave a considerable area which could not be opened at this time because it can not be reached by any street. We might possibly run a street across from this property to the new street and get the parties who own property on Clayton street, which is north of it, to open a street meeting ours. If this was done, this part of the property might also be put upon the market and sold very readily.

In the settlement of the suit for the condemnation of the strip of land, for street purposes, on the south boundary of the Hamner Hall property, it was agreed that the Trustees should convey the same to the City of Montgomery— in order to quiet any doubt touching the jurisdiction of the City Court over the matter. We herewith report a resolution for that purpose and request the convention to pass the same.

The undersigned suggest that proper authority be given the Trustees to divide the Hamner Hall property into lots, and to sell a sufficient number of them to reimburse to the Bishop's Fund, the amount necessary to make "it whole in its original investment" in accordance with the resolution reported by the Finance Committee at the last Council- page 21- and that the Diocese retain the the remainder. This will be the solution of a question much to be desired, which will relieve the Trustees of a very troublesome matter— and the Council of a constant and irritating contention.

The reports of the Diocesan Treasurer show that from 1874 to 1891— the sum of twelve thousand, five hundred and sixty-six dollars has been contributed to the support of the Bishop from this Fund. Had this interest been reinvested, the Bishop's Fund at the present time would have amounted to fully forty thousand dollars.

All of which is respectfully submitted

N. H. R. DAWSON,
J. H. FITTS, } Trustees.
H. C. TOMPKINS,

May 19*th*, 1891.

MR. N. H. R. DAWSON, *Treasurer*,

In Account with THE TRUSTEES OF THE BISHOP'S FUND, DIOCESE OF ALA.

1890. RECEIPTS.

May 20—Cash balance on hand	$ 136 56
May 19—To cash from G. W. Kenney, Hamner Hall	100 00
May 20—To cash from G. W. Kenney, Hamner Hall	50 00
July 1—To semi-annual interest Ala. Bonds, $17,500.00	350 00
July 1—To semi-annual interest City Selma Bonds, $4,000.00	80 00
July 7—To cash from G. W. Kenney, Hamner Hall	100 00
July 19—To cash from G. P. McAuley, Hamner Hall	50 00
Dec. 4—To cash from G. W. Kenney, Hamner Hall	100 00
Dec. 31—To semi-annual interest Ala. Bonds, $18,000.00	360 00
Dec. 31—To semi-annual interest from City Selma Bonds, $4,000.00	80 00
Dec. 31—To cash from City of Montgomery, Hamner Hall	1,887 43
1891.	
Feb. 13—To cash from G. W. Kenney, Hamner Hall	50 00
Total	$2,843 99

1890. DISBURSEMENTS.

July 7—Cash paid Fegh & William, Hamner Hall	$ 16 10
July 9—Cash paid for Ala. Bond No. 7052, $500.00	532 31
July 9—Cash paid for Ala. Bond No. 7412, $500.00	526 08
July 14—Cash paid for express charges	1 75
July 20—Cash paid Troy & Tompkins	65 00
July 26—Cash paid Geo. A. Wilkins, Treasurer	500 00
July 27—Cash paid for Ala. Bond No. 1688, $1,000.00	1,033 83
Sept. 9—Cash paid Cahn & Hugger, Hamner Hall	19 30
1891.	
March 9—Cash paid Geo. A. Wilkins, Treasurer	140 00
May 20—To cash balance on hand	9 62
Total	$2,843 99

BISHOP'S FUND.

The securities now consist of 18 (eighteen) Registered Alabama Bonds Class A., Numbered as follows: 1688, 470, 444, 446, 447, 448, 450, 449, 451, 453, 455, 456, 471, 445, 452, 457, 454, 1589.

3 (Three) Class A. Ala. Bonds, Numbered 7412, 7052, 6765.

8 (Eight) City of Selma Bonds, Numbered 447, 448, 446, 445, 444, 443, 442, 441.

RECAPITULATION.

18 Class A. Alabama State Bonds	$18,000 00
3 Class A. Alabama State Bonds, (Unregistered)	1,500 00
8 City of Selma Bonds	4,000 00
Total	$23,500 00

APPENDIX D.

MR. GEORGE A. WILKINS, *Treasurer*,

In Account with THE DIOCESE OF ALABAMA.

RECEIPTS.

May 20th, 1890, Cash balance on hand	$ 254 08
Amount received from the Treasurer of "Bishop's Fund"	640 00
Amount collected from Assessment for the year 1890-91	5,151 54
Total	$6,045 62

DISBURSEMENTS.

Paid Rt. Rev. R. H. Wilmer, Bishop of the Diocese	$4,000 00
Paid Rt. Rev. H. M. Jackson, Assistant Bishop of the Diocese	1,000 00
Paid Rev. R. H. Cobbs, Secretary of the Council	150 00
Paid Rev. R. H. Cobbs, Secretary Special Meeting Council	50 00
Printing the Journal Council of 1890	167 79
Expenses of Council Montgomery, May, 1890	15 00
Expenses of Special Council Selma, October, 1890	10 00
One-half of Life Insurance Premium Bishop Wilmer	122 50
Expenses of Consecration of Bishop Jackson	185 00
Standing Committee for Printing, Cabinet, etc	156 50
Rev. R. H. Cobbs, Secretary, for new Journal	3 25
Incidental Expenses, Printing, Stamps, etc	19 75
George A. Wilkins, Treasurer, salary	50 00
May 20th, 1891, Balance on hand	115 83
Total	$6,045 62

APPENDIX E.

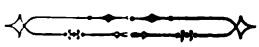
CHARLES E. WALLER, *Treasurer*,

In Account with DIOCESAN MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

1890-91. DR.

May 27th, 1890. To Cash on hand as per last report			$ 883 47
May 21st, 1891. To Receipts since last report to date.			
From Grace Church, Anniston	$277 45		
" St. Michael and All Angels Ch. Anniston,	23 28		
" St. Timothy's Church, Athens	2 50		
" Church of the Holy Innocents, Auburn	46 87		
" Christ Church, Avondale	4 04		
" Trinity Church, Bessemer	19 10	—	$ 373 24
Amount Carried Forward			$1,256 71

Amount Brought Forward		$1,256 71
From Church of the Advent, Birmingham	134 69	
" St. Mary's Church, Birmingham	26 52	
" St. Mark's Church, Boligee	2 41	
" Mission Station, Brierfield	21 40	
" St. Paul's Church, Carlowville	137 00	
" St. Paul's Church, Decatur	22 85	
" Trinity Church, Demopolis	75 76	
" St. James' Church, Eufaula	42 65	
" St. Stephen's Church, Eutaw	35 40	
" St. Michael's Church, Faunsdale	12 80	
" Trinity Church, Florence	33 17	
" St. John's Church, Forkland	2 55	
" Mission Station, Gadsden	5 25	
" St. Andrew's Church, Gallion	44 90	
" St. Paul's Church, Greensboro	316 75	
" St. Thomas' Church, Greenville	16 00	
" St. Andrew's Church, Hayneville	4 00	
" Church of the Nativity, Huntsville	303 25	
" St. Luke's Church, Jacksonville	61 27	
" St. Paul's Church, Lowndesboro	10 00	
" St. Wilfrid's Church, Marion	32 62	
" Trinity Church, Mobile	171 45	
" St. John's Church, Mobile	60 00	
" Christ Church, Mobile	204 73	
" Mission Station, Montevallo	14 00	
" St. John's Church, Montgomery	501 45	
" Ch. of the Holy Comforter, Montgomery	149 95	
" Woman's Diocesan Auxiliary, Montgomery	26 35	
" Emanuel Church, Opelika	8 04	
" Christ Church, Piedmont	32 73	
" St. Luke's Church, Scottsboro	3 65	
" St. Paul's Church, Selma	199 55	
" Grace Church, Sheffield	16 85	
" St. Peter's Church, Talladega	28 85	
" Grace Church, Trinity	9 00	
" Christ Church, Tuskaloosa	186 24	
" St. John's Church, Tuscumbia	80 00	
" Trinity Church, Union Springs	9 32	
" St. Paul's Church, Whistler	7 75	
" Calvary Church, Woodlawn	6 40—	$3,057 55
Total		$4,314 26



1890.		Cr.		
June	2d.	By T. L. Eastburn & Sons	$ 6 00	
"	23d.	" Rev. J. C. Johnes	50 00	
Aug.	25th.	" Rev. R. J. Walker	33 33	
Nov.	1st.	" Rev. A. J. Tardy, to date	250 00	
1891.				
Jan.	31st.	" Rev. B. F. Mower, to date	125 00	
Feb.	25th.	" Rev. W. C. Whitaker, to date	320 00	
April	30th.	" Rev. D. B. Waddell, to date	100 00	
"	"	" Rev. H. A. Skinner, to date	400 00	
"	"	" Rev. G. R. Upton, to date	100 00	
"	"	" Rev. W. T. Allen, to date	400 00	
"	"	" Rev. F. B. Lee, to date	200 00	
"	"	" Rev. J. F. Smith, to date	400 00	
"	"	" Rev. P. W. Jones, to date	300 00	
"	"	" Rev. W. R. Dye, to date	200 00	
"	"	" Rev. Benj. Dennis, to date	308 33	
May	20th.	" Rev. Charles E. Cabaniss	277 45	
"	"	" Expense Account	14 59—	$3,484 70
"	21st.	" Cash on hand		829 56
		Total		$4,314 26

RECAPITULATION.

Total Receipts	$4,314 26
Total Disbursements	3,484 70
May 21st, 1891. Balance on hand	$ 829 56

APPENDIX F.

John L. Cobbs, *Treasurer*,

In Account with The University of the South.

1890.	Dr.	
December 3	—To cash from St. Paul's Church, Greensboro	$20 00
"	To cash from St. Andrew's Church, Gallion	10 00
1891.		
January 3	—To cash from St. Paul's Church, Carlowville	10 00
" 7	—To cash from Church of Advent, Birmingham	10 00
	Total	$50 00

1890.	Cr.	
December 13	By Cash remitted R. M. DuBose, Treasurer	$30 00
1891.		
January 3	By Cash remitted R. M. DuBose, Treasurer	10 00
" 7	By Cash remitted R. M. DuBose, Treasurer	10 00
Total		$50 00

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN L. COBBS,

Montgomery, May 18th, 1891. Treasurer.

APPENDIX G.

Proceedings of the Society for the Relief of Disabled Clergymen and of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen.

ANNISTON, May 21st, 1891.

The Society was called to order by the Rt. Rev. H. M. Jackson, D.D. A quorum was found to be present, and Rev. R. H. Cobbs was nominated and elected Secretary. R. M. Nelson was nominated and elected Treasurer. Rev. R. W. Barnwell and Mr. C. E. Waller were nominated and elected members of the Executive Committee.

The Treasurer presented his account, which was read, and on motion, was referred to a committee consisting of Messrs. J. H. Fitts and W. W. Stringfellow. This committee reported the accounts to be correct in all respects, and this report was received, and on motion, was concurred in.

On motion, it was Resolved, That the Secretary of the Society request that the Council of the Diocese do set apart the second night of each Annual Session to the consideration of the claims of the Society.

On motion, it was Resolved, That the committee appointed to consider the claim of Rev. Dr. Sansom, be continued. On motion and by a unanimous vote, the Constitution was amended so that the Assistant Bishop, in the absence of the Bishop, shall be Ex Officio President of the Society and of the Executive Committee.

On motion, the Society adjourned "sine die."

R. H. COBBS, Secretary. H. M. JACKSON, President.

R. M. NELSON, *Treasurer*,

In Account with THE SOCIETY FOR THE RELIEF OF DISABLED CLERGYMEN AND THE WIDOWS AND ORPHANS OF DECEASED CLERGYMEN.

RECEIPTS.

May 20th, 1890. Cash balance on hand	$ 817 83
Collection from Trinity Parish, Florence	4 75
" " Christ Church Parish, Mobile	17 80
" " St. Paul's Parish, Greensboro	10 00
" " St. Andrew's Parish, Gallion	10 00
" " Trinity Parish, Demopolis	20 00
" " Church of the Advent, Birmingham	30 00
" " St. John's Parish, Montgomery	58 20
" " Christ Church Parish, Tuskaloosa	11 00
" " St. James' Parish, Eufaula	8 15
" " St. Paul's Parish, Carlowville	15 40
" " Church of the Nativity, Huntsville	16 00
" " Special Council	36 40
Annual Dues from J. D. Alison	5 00
Annual Dues from D. G. Dunklin	5 00
Proceeds of sale Alabama 6 per cent Bond No. 723	500 00
One years interest on $14,000.00 Ala. class A., 4 per cent. Bonds	560 00
One years interest on $4,000.00 Ala. class C., 4 per cent. Bonds	160 00
Total	$2,285 53

DISBURSEMENTS.

Purchase of class C., Alabama 4 per cent. Bond and Expressage	$1,040 60
Paid Rev. F. B. Lee, order of Ex Committee	100 00
" Mrs. Ellen Porter, order of Ex Committee	50 00
" Misses Tichnor, order of Ex Committee	50 00
" Mrs. J. M. Robertson, order of Ex Committee	50 00
" Miss May Robertson, order of Ex Committee	50 00
" Mrs. J. H. Stringfellow, order of Ex Committee	100 00
" Mrs. Ellen B. Nicholson, order of Ex Committee	100 00
May 20th, 1891. Cash balance on hand	744 93
Total	$2,285 53

IN MEMORY

OF THE

Rev. George Marlow Everhart, S. T. D.,

Born in Loudoun Co., Virginia, 1826,

Ordered Deacon by the Rt. Rev. N. H. Cobbs, D. D.,

In St. John's Church, Montgomery, Ala., March, 1860,

Ordained Priest by the Rt. Rev. J. H. Otey, D. D.,

In Christ Church, Nashville, Tenn., January, 1861,

Died April 26th, 1891.

"Teaching and Preaching the Word of the Lord."

IN MEMORY

OF THE

REV. B. F. MOWER,

Born in Montreal, Canada, March 9th, 1819,

Ordained Deacon by the Rt. Rev. Stephen Elliott, D. D.,

In Milledgeville, Georgia, in May, 1845,

Advanced to the Priesthood by the

Rt. Rev. Stephen Elliott, D.D., in Savannah, Georgia, in 1846,

Died in Florence, Alabama, February 15th, 1891.

"Thou shalt rest and stand in thy lot at the end of the days."

DIGEST OF THE CANONS

TOGETHER WITH THE

CONSTITUTION

OF THE

DIOCESE OF ALABAMA.

As Reported to and Amended by the Council of 1891.

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CONSTITUTION AND CANONS

—OF THE—

DIOCESE OF ALABAMA.

CONSTITUTION.

Portions in Italics were adopted in 1891, but are not in force until re-adopted in 1892.

THE CLERGY AND LAITY OF THE PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN THE DIOCESE OF ALABAMA, for the purpose of promoting the cause of religion and piety, establishing order, and securing to themselves and their posterity the advantages of the Ministry and Ordinances of the Church, do ordain and establish this Constitution:

General Convention.

ARTICLE I. This Church hereby accedes to the authority, and recognizes and adopts the Constitution and Canons of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America.

Annual Council—Change of Place.

ART. II. There shall be an Annual Council of the Church, to be held at such time and place as shall be designated by the next preceding Council; and in case there should be an epidemic disease in the place appointed for holding said Council, or any other cause to render it necessary to alter the place or time fixed for holding it, the Bishop, *and if there be no Bishop, the Standing Committee,* shall have the power to appoint another place or time for holding the same.

Clerical Members.

ART. III. The Council shall be composed of clergymen and laymen.

Every clergyman in ecclesiastical connection with the Diocese, being a minister or assistant minister of some parish within the same, or a missionary under the direction of the ecclesiastical authority thereof, or being a president, professor or tutor in some institution of learning recognized and approved by this Council, or being unable to discharge the duties of the ministry on account of age or infirm health, or being a Chaplain in the army or navy, shall be entitled to a seat and vote in the Council; *Provided*, that no clerical member shall be entitled to vote in the Council unless he shall have resided in the Diocese for six months next preceding.

Lay Members.

The laymen shall consist of any number of deputies not exceeding five from each Parish, and one from each organized Mission, in union with this Council, chosen from the male communicants of full age.

A Quorum.

ART. IV. Four members of the clerical order, and the representations of four parishes, shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business; but a smaller number may adjourn.

The President—May make a Motion—Special Councils.

ART. V. The Bishop, *or the Assistant Bishop, if there be one, in the absence of the Bishop*, shall be President of the Council. If *one or both* be absent, or if there be no Bishop, the Council shall choose a President, pro-tem-pore, from the Presbyters present. The Bishop *and the Assistant Bishop* may make any motion which *either* shall judge to be conducive to the good of the Church; but shall not enter into debate. *They* may deliver *their* sentiments on any subject, after it has been discussed, before a vote thereon. The Bishop may call Special Councils at whatever time and place he may think necessary: in case of a vacancy in the Episcopal Office, this power shall be vested in the Standing Committee.

The Secretary.

ART. VI. A Secretary shall be chosen at each Annual Meeting of the Council, who shall remain in office until the next election of a Secretary. His duty shall be to make minutes of

their proceedings, to preserve their journals and records, to attest the public accounts of the body, and faithfully to deliver into the hands of his successor all books and papers relative to the concerns of the Council which may be in his possession.

Methods of Voting.

ART. VII. In Council the clergy and laity shall deliberate and vote as one body. But if it be required by two clergymen, or by the representations of two parishes, the two orders shall vote separately; in which case each clergyman shall cast one vote, and the representations of each parish one vote, *and the representations from organized Missions each one-fifth of a vote;* and a majority of the votes thus cast shall be decisive.

Election of a Bishop.

ART. VIII. The election of a Bishop shall be made in Council, in the following manner: The clergy shall nominate, by ballot, some fit and qualified clergyman of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, for that office; the votes of a majority of that order being necessary to constitute a choice. Such nomination shall be communicated to the lay deputies and be considered by them; and if on a ballot it shall appear that the person so nominated is approved by a majority of the parishes represented, he shall then be declared by the President of the Council duly elected.

The Standing Committee.

ART. IX. The Standing Committee required by the Canons of the General Convention shall consist of three Clergymen and three Lay Communicants. They shall be elected by ballot at each Annual Meeting of the Council, and shall hold office until their successors are elected. Vacancies in the committee shall be filled by the remaining members. A majority shall be a quorum. All travelling, publishing and other necessary expenses of the committee shall be paid by the Treasurer of the Diocese, upon the requisition of the President of the Committee.

Opening of the Council.

ART. X. Every Council shall be opened with prayer, a sermon, and the administration of the Holy Communion; the

preacher to be appointed by the Bishop, or in case of a vacancy in the Episcopate, by the Standing Committee.

Of Parishes.

ART. XI. A Parish may be admitted into union with this Council upon the following conditions:

(a). It shall be incorporated under the laws of the State of Alabama, and shall lay a copy of its Charter, or Articles of Association, before the Council, acknowledging and acceding to the doctrines, discipline and worship of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Alabama, signed by not less than fifteen communicants, of whom at least five shall be males of full age.

(b). It shall be organized by the election of not less than three nor more than eleven vestrymen, who shall be male communicants of twenty-one years of age, in good standing, who shall have designated two of their number as wardens, according to methods recognized by their Articles or By-Laws; and shall have a Secretary and Treasurer.

(c). It shall have sustained, at its own cost, the regular and sole ministrations of a presbyter or deacon, as its minister or rector, for at least six months prior to its application.

(d). It shall lay before the Council satisfactory evidence of its ability and purpose to support a regular minister; to provide a suitable church building, and to bear its proportion of the expenses of the Diocese.

(e). Provided, that nothing in this Article shall prohibit two or more Congregations, under the charge of one Minister, from combining so as to form one self supporting Parish, which Parish shall have all the rights and privileges accorded to Parishes in the Council of the Diocese.

Of Organized Missions.

ART. XII. A Mission may be admitted into union with and taken under charge of this Council upon the following conditions:

(a). It shall lay before the Council, Articles of Association, acknowledging and acceding to the doctrines, discipline and worship of the Protestant Episcopal Church, in the Diocese of

Alabama, and signed by not less than ten communicants, of whom at least three shall be males of full age.

(b). It shall be organized by the election or appointment of a Warden, a Clerk and a Treasurer, whose duties shall be similar to those of Parishes. It shall also adopt a suitable name.

(c). It shall state the amount of stipend it is prepared to pay to a Missionary.

(d). Its property, if any, shall be vested in trust in the Bishop of the Diocese and his successors in office.

Of Mission Stations.

Places where services are held, but where the church is not strong enough for organization, should be reported to the Council by the Missionary in charge, or by the Dean or Arch Deacon, or by the Bishop, as Mission Stations, and a layman there resident should be appointed by the clergyman in charge, or by the Bishop, to make report according to the provisions of the Canon on Parochial Reports.

Alteration of the Constitution.

ART. XIII. Any proposition to alter this Constitution shall be made in writing, and if approved by two-thirds of the Council, shall be submitted to the next Council; and if approved by a majority of the two orders therein, voting separately, it shall become a part of this Constitution.

CANONS

—OF THE—

DIOCESE OF ALABAMA.

TITLE I.

OF THE ORGANIZED BODIES AND OFFICERS OF THE CHURCH.

CANON I.—OF PARISHES.

Lay Delegates from Parishes.

SECTION 1. *(a).* It shall be the duty of every parish in the Diocese to send one Lay Communicant in good standing, whose expenses shall be paid by the parish, as a deputy to the Diocesan Council; but every parish may, at its discretion, send a number of additional deputies not exceeding four, who shall also be Communicants in good standing.

From Missions.

(b). Each organized mission received into union with the Council, in accordance with the provisions of the Constitution, may also send one Lay Communicant, to be appointed by the minister in charge, who shall be entitled to a seat in the Council, and to participate in its debates.

Notification to Secretary.

(c). Each vestry or minister in charge, shall send to the Secretary of the Council, the name of each deputy elected or appointed to represent such parish or mission station, as soon as elected or appointed.

Assessments Must be Paid.

SEC. 2. *(a).* No parish or mission station shall be entitled to lay representation, nor shall the names of the lay deputies from any parish be called by the Secretary, until all assessments upon the same made by the Council, shall have been paid to the Treasurer, or shall have been specially remitted by the Council.

(b.). It shall be the duty of the Treasurer, at the opening of every Council, to furnish the Secretary with a complete list of the parishes that have paid their assessments.

Certificate of Election.

SEC. 3. Deputies to the Council shall present a certificate of election signed by the Secretary of the vestry, or by the Rector, or Missionary, or by one of the wardens, which certificate may be in the following form:

Form of Certificate.

This certifies that at a meeting of the vestry of..... Church, at....., held on the.....day of....., 18.., A. B. C. D. and E., who are hereby declared to be communicants of said parish, were duly elected Lay Deputies to represent the same in the Council of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Alabama, at its session to be held at.....in the year of our Lord, 18....

Or:

The undersigned, Missionary in charge of.....,
at..... ; hereby appoints A.... whom he certifies to be a Communicant in good standing, to represent the said Mission in the Council of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Alabama, at its session to be held at.....in the year of our Lord, 18....

CANON II.—OF THE TREASURER OF THE DIOCESE.

Election and Term of Office—Duty.

SECTION 1. *(a)*. A Treasurer shall be annually elected by the Council, who shall serve until his successor is chosen.

(b). It shall be his duty to receive, preserve and disburse all funds collected by order or on account of the Council, unless when otherwise provided for.

Accounts and Reports.

(c). He shall keep an accurate account of all assessments laid by the Council, and of all payments or remissions which shall be made thereon; and he shall render a full report to each Annual Council, showing in detail his receipts and disbursements, and all arrearages which may remain due and unpaid.

List for Secretary.

(d). He shall furnish the Secretary, at the opening of each Council, a list of all parishes which have paid their assessments in full.

Time of Closing Accounts.

SEC. 2. All Treasurer's accounts shall be closed and balanced on the Wednesday preceding the meeting of the Council; and two weeks before such date, the Treasurer shall send notice thereof to all parishes and missions in arrears to him.

Transfer to Successor.

SEC. 3. Upon retiring from office, the Treasurer of the Diocese shall pay over to his successor all funds remaining in his hands, and also transfer to him all books and papers belonging to the Diocese which may be in his possession.

Duplicate Receipts from all Treasurers.

SEC. 4. All Treasurers reporting to the Council shall issue duplicate receipts for all moneys received by them, one of which shall be sent to the Secretary of the Council.

CANON III.—OF THE REGISTRAR.

Safe-Keeping of Documents.

SECTION 1. A Registrar shall be elected by the Council of the Diocese, who shall be an officer of the Council, and whose duty it shall be to provide a suitable safe for the preservation of deeds or other conveyances of all Church property, the original articles of association of all parishes, and any other documents of interest and value to the Church in this Diocese which may be deposited with him; and he shall also use reasonable diligence in collecting and preserving all such papers as may now be in existence, or shall hereafter be executed.

Duties of Rectors, Vestries and Trustees, with regard to the Registrar.

SEC. 2. *(a).* It shall be the duty of all rectors or vestries of parishes, trustees of Church property, and any one into whose hands conveyances of real estate for Church purposes or other papers of a legal character may come, to have the same duly recorded and certified, and to transmit the same or a certified

copy thereof, to the Chancellor of the Diocese for his examination and approval, to be so endorsed by him, and transmitted to the Registrar. The Registrar shall examine such instruments, and finding them duly recorded and certified, shall enter the title thereof in a catalogue to be formed of such papers, shall file them in due order and deposit them in his safe, subject to the order and control of the Council. *He shall furnish each year a copy of this list to the Secretary of the Council for publication in the Journal.*

Duty of the Secretary with regard to the Registrar.

(b). It shall be the duty of the Secretary of the Council to turn over to the Registrar all articles of association of parishes which are admitted into union with the Council.

Preservation of Journals.

SEC. 3. The Registrar shall collect and preserve at least one copy of the Journal of every Council of the Diocese and of every General Convention, and the charges and pastoral letters at any time issued by the Bishops of this Diocese, and have the same suitably bound in convenient volumes.

Record of Acts.

SEC. 4. The Registrar shall provide a suitable book in which to record such Episcopal or clerical acts as may be deemed proper by the Bishop, and shall report thereon annually to the Council.

Term of Office.

SEC. 5. The Registrar shall continue in office until his successor be elected, to whom he shall transfer all papers and other property of the Diocese in his possession.

CANON IV.—OF THE CHANCELLOR.

Adviser of the Bishop—Counsel of the Diocese.

A Chancellor of the Diocese shall be elected by the Council at each annual meeting, who shall be the adviser of the Bishop in all legal matters pertaining to the Diocese, and counsel in all suits at law that may arise in the administration of its affairs.

CANON V.—OF DEPUTIES TO THE GENERAL CONVENTION.

Deputies to the General Convention.

The Diocesan Council shall elect, at a regular annual meeting, deputies and alternate deputies to the General Convention, who shall continue in office until a new election shall be had. Vacancies occurring after the adjournment of the Council next preceding the meeting of the General Convention, shall be filled by the appointment of the Bishop.

CANON VI.—OF THE DIVISION OF PARISHES.

Division of Parishes, by Consent.

SECTION 1. When any number of members of a parish in connection with this Council shall desire to be separated from the parish to which they belong, and to be erected into a new parish, they shall first secure the consent of the parish, and shall then adopt the articles of association, and apply to the Council for admission as provided in the Constitution.

If Contested.

SEC. 2. In case the parish should not consent to the proposed division, the portion seeking it shall make known the fact to the Council, and the Council shall then decide upon the expediency of separation.

CANON VII.—OF THE VESTRY.

Election—Wardens.

SECTION 1. In every parish there shall be an annual election on Easter Monday, or on such day thereafter as the parish may appoint, of a Vestry, consisting of not less than three and not more than eleven members, who shall be male communicants, of full age and in good standing, and who shall continue in office until their successors are chosen. Two of the Vestry shall be appointed to serve as Wardens, one of whom shall be designated as the Senior Warden of the parish.

This provision shall not apply to those non-communicants who are now members of Vestries, who may be re-elected by their parishes.

Clerk of the Vestry.

SEC. 2. The Vestry shall elect a Secretary, whose duty it shall be to take and record the minutes of their proceedings, attest the public acts of the Vestry, preserve all records and papers belonging to the parish, perform all such other duties as shall be legally assigned to him, and faithfully to deliver into the hands of his successor all books and documents that may be in his possession belonging to the parish.

Treasurer of the Vestry.

SEC. 3. The Vestry shall elect a Treasurer, whose duty it shall be to receive and disburse all moneys collected under authority of the Vestry, the collection and disbursement of which is not otherwise provided for. He shall keep an accurate account of all moneys that come into his hands, and submit an exhibit of the same annually, and whenever called upon to do so.

Qualification of Voters.

SEC. 4. In every Parish the voters, where not otherwise determined by legal statute, shall be male persons of full age, belonging to the Parish or Congregation, who have been baptized and who have been regular contributors to the support of the Parish or Congregation for not less than six months prior to such voting.

Duty of the Vestry.

SEC. 5. It shall be the duty of the Vestry to take charge of the property of the Church, to regulate its temporal concerns, elect and call a minister, and provide for his maintenance; to keep order in church during the celebration of Divine worship, and in general to act as helpers to the minister in whatever is appropriate to laymen for the furtherance of the gospel.

Duty of Wardens.

SEC. 6. It shall be the duty of the Wardens especially to provide the elements for the Lord's Supper, to collect the alms at the administration of the same, to keep and disburse such alms, in case the parish is destitute of a minister; also in such case to provide for the celebration of public worship and the instruction of the congregation by occasional clerical services, or by lay reading, as circumstances may admit.

Rector to Preside and Vote.

SEC. 7. *(a).* The Rector of every parish shall ex-officio preside as Chairman at Vestry meetings, and shall be entitled to a casting vote in case of a tie, in all questions except those in which he may be personally concerned.

To Call Vestry Meetings.

(b). The rector shall have power to call Vestry meetings at any time, giving reasonable notice; and it shall be his duty to do so whenever he may be requested by three members of the Vestry.

Senior Warden May Call.

(c). In his absence, or if the parish is without a rector, the Senior Warden, or any two members of the Vestry, shall have power to call Vestry meetings, giving reasonable notice.

Regular Meetings.

SEC. 8. There shall be held at least four regular Vestry meetings in each year; one of which shall be in Easter Tide; and the others quarterly thereafter.

Vacancies.

SEC. 9. Vacancies in the Vestry, caused by death, resignation or otherwise, may be filled by the remaining members.

CANON VIII.—OF THE CLERGY.

The Clerical List.

SECTION 1. Before the meeting of every Council the Bishop, or if there be no Bishop, the clerical members of the Standing Committee shall cause to be prepared a list of all the clergymen canonically resident in the Diocese, annexing the name of their respective cures, or parishes, or stations as missionaries, or of the institutions of learning in which they are engaged; and the places of residence of such as are not employed in either of the ways aboved mentioned; specifying at the same time who of either class are deacons—but no person while suspended from the ministry shall have a place on such list—and such list shall be laid before the Council immediately after it shall have been

called to order, and the names of the clerical members shall be called therefrom. The same shall be inserted in the journal, and a copy sent to the Secretary of the General Convention.

Disputed Seats.

SEC. 2. When the right of any clergyman to a seat in the Council is disputed, it shall be determined by the Council according to the provisions of the Constitution, whether his name be inserted in the list aforesaid or omitted.

Candidates Ineligible.

SEC. 3. No person who is a candidate for Holy Orders in the Church, shall be permitted to accept an appointment as deputy to the Council of the Diocese.

CANON IX.—OF THE BISHOP'S FUND.

Trustees.

SECTION 1. *(a).* Three Trustees shall be annually elected by ballot by the Council; said Trustees to be selected from different parts of the Diocese, to manage the Bishop's Fund; one of whom, to be designated by the Council, shall be the Treasurer of said Fund.

Their Duties.

(b). Said Trustees shall hold the said Fund, and manage and invest the same by such rules and regulations as the Council has prescribed, or may hereafter prescribe.

Investments.

SEC. 2. *(a).* It shall be the duty of said Trustees to keep said Fund safely invested in public securities of unquestioned validity; or other permanent and safe securities or investments; the interest thereon to be paid annually or oftener.

Reports.

(b). The Trustees and Treasurer shall make an annual report of the condition and management of the Fund, specifying clearly the existing investments.

Duty of Treasurer.

SEC. 3. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to collect and receive all moneys and other assets belonging to the said Fund, as well as the interest or other income arising therefrom, and to keep and account to the Council for the same.

Vacancies.

SEC. 4. In case of a vacancy in the office of Treasurer, by reason of death, resignation, or otherwise, the remaining Trustees shall fill the vacancy until the next Council.

TITLE II.

GENERAL REGULATIONS OF MINISTERS AND THEIR DUTIES.

CANON I.—OF ATTENDANCE UPON COUNCIL.

SECTION 1. The regular attendance of the clergy at the meetings of the Council being deemed of great importance to the interests of the Church, is a duty with which no slight obstacle should be allowed to interfere. And it is recommended to the parishes to make provision for the expenses of their respective ministers in attending the Council.

CANON II.—OF ADMISSION TO PARISHES.

SECTION 1. No clergyman shall be admitted to the pastoral charge of any parish, unless he first produce to the Vestry thereof a certificate from the Bishop, or in case there be no Bishop, from the Standing Committee, that he has presented satisfactory testimonials that he is an accredited minister of the Church in good standing.

CANON III.—OF THE PARISH REGISTER AND REPORTS.

Parish Book-Keeping—Records.

SECTION 1. Every minister shall keep a record of all the baptisms, confirmations, marriages and funerals solemnized by him, or in his parish by any other minister, specifying the names and times of birth of the children baptized, together with the names of parents and sponsors; the names of adults baptized, and also the witnesses of the baptism; the names of those confirmed, and by whom; the names of persons married, and of persons buried; and also the times when each rite and sacrament was performed. These records shall be kept in a book provided for that purpose, and belonging to the Vestry in each parish, which book shall be called the Parish Register, and be considered as a part of the records of the parish.

Registration.

SEC. 2. In addition to the records above named, the minister of each parish shall keep lists of the families, parishioners and communicants within his cure, specifying the time when the former became communicants of his parish, and whether by removal from some other parish or otherwise.

Parochial Reports.

SEC. 3. *Every minister shall, on the first day of every annual Council or sooner if so required, deliver to the Bishop of the Diocese or such person or committee as may be designated by him or by the Council, his annual Parochial Report. His records and accounts shall be closed on the first day of May, when the Council meets subsequent to that date; and on the fifteenth day of April when the Council meets between that date and the first of May; and on the first day of April when the Council meets before the fifteenth. The Parochial Reports shall be made according to the form adopted by the Council.*

Parish Clerk—Report by the Warden.

SEC. 4. In every parish destitute of a minister, the register shall be kept by some person appointed by the Vestry for that purpose and the annual parochial reports shall be presented or forwarded as provided above by the Senior Warden of the parish.

CANON IV.—OF VACANT PARISHES.

Notification to the Bishop—Bishop's Supply.

SECTION 1. Whenever a vacancy shall occur in the rectorship of any parish, it shall be the duty of the Vestry of such parish promptly to notify the Bishop of such vacancy; and in the event or the failure of the Vestry, for a period of three months, to give such notification to the Bishop, or if the Vestry inform him that no adequate steps are being taken to supply the vacancy, or its inability to supply it, then the Bishop, if he shall see fit to do so, may appoint a clergyman to officiate temporarily in said parish, or until the vacancy in the rectorship shall have been supplied by the action of the Vestry; and it is hereby declared to be the duty of the parish to provide, according to its ability, for the maintenance of the clergyman so officiating.

CANON V.—OF CONVOCATIONS.

Convocations—How Formed.

SECTION 1. The Diocese shall be divided by the Bishop, for missionary purposes, into Convocational Districts, with such boundaries as he may from time to time determine.

How Governed.

SEC. 2. *(a).* The presiding officer of each Convocation shall be appointed by the Bishop, such office to be held at his discretion, with such title—Dean, Archdeacon, or the like—as the Bishop may prefer to bestow.

Duty of Dean.

(b). It shall be the duty of this presiding officer to direct the mission work of his Convocation, under the direction of the Bishop, to preside at its meetings, and in general to do such work as may be committed to him by the Bishop.

Other Officers.

(c). The other officers of the Convocation, as Secretary, Treasurer, etc., shall be elected by the Convocation, and shall perform such duties as may be committed to them by the Convocation.

Duties of Members—Expenses.

SEC. 3. It shall be the duty of every clergyman in the Diocese to attend the meetings of his Convocation when duly called, and to officiate at any point or points within the Convocation to which he belongs on at least four Sundays in the year, at such times and places as shall be appointed by the Bishop, or by the presiding officer of the Convocation, acting by the authority of the Bishop; *provided, however*, That the necessary expenses of such missionary services shall be defrayed from the Diocesan Mission Fund, or any other fund that may be available.

TITLE III.

OF DISCIPLINE.

CANON I.—OF THE TRIAL OF A CLERGYMAN, NOT BEING A BISHOP.

Enacting Clause.

Whenever any minister of this Diocese, not being a Bishop thereof, shall become "liable to presentment and trial" under the provisions of any Canon of the General Convention or the Diocesan Council, the mode of proceeding in this Diocese shall be as follows, viz:

Trial upon Presentment—By a Vestry—By Three Priests.

SECTION 1. *(a)*. The trial shall be on a presentment in writing, addressed to the Bishop of the Diocese, specifying the offense of which the accused is alleged to be guilty, with reasonable certainty as to time, place and circumstances. Such presentment may be made by the major part in number of the members of the Vestry of any church of which the accused is a minister, or by any three presbyters of this Diocese entitled to seats in the Council, or as hereinafter mentioned.

By the Bishop's Appointment.

(b). Whenever from public rumor or otherwise, the Bishop shall have reason to believe that any clergyman is under the imputation of having been guilty of any offense or misconduct, for which he is liable to be tried, and that the interest of the Church require an investigation, or upon the written request of the party himself, it shall be his duty to appoint three persons, of whom two at least shall be presbyters, to examine the case, a majority of whom may make such examination; and if there is, in their opinion, sufficient ground for presentment, shall present the clergyman accordingly.

The Bishop to Dismiss, or Modify Charges.

SEC. 2. *(a).* A presentment being made in one of the modes above prescribed, the Bishop, if the facts charged shall not appear to him to be such as constitute an offense, may dismiss it; or if it allege facts, some of which do and some do not constitute an offense, he may allow it in part, and dismiss the residue or he may permit it to be amended; and he shall, in all cases, take care that the presentment shall set forth a substantial offense, upon which a verdict and final judgment can be pronounced, as hereinafter provided.

A Copy to be Served—Formation of a Court—Time of Trial—The Bishop a Party.

(b). When it shall be allowed in whole or in part, the Bishop shall cause a copy of it to be served on the accused; and shall also nominate eight presbyters of this Diocese entitled to seats in the Council, and not being parties to the presentment, and cause a list of their names to be served on the accused, who shall, within thirty days after such service, select three of them, and notify their names in writing to the Bishop. And if he fails to do so, the Bishop shall select three, and the presbyters so selected shall form a board for the trial of the accused, and shall meet at such time and place as the Bishop may direct, and shall have power to adjourn from time to time, and from place to place (within the Diocese), as they shall think necessary; *Provided*, That in case the Bishop should be the party against whom the offense is charged to have been committed, or is him-

self a necessary and material witness in the case, the clerical members of the Standing Committee shall, at the instance of the Bishop, perform the duty above prescribed for the Bishop; *provided further*, that the Bishop may, in case of necessity, change the time and place of the assembling of the court, giving thirty days' notice of such change to the accused.

Confession.

SEC. 3. If a clergyman shall, at any time before the commencement of the trial, confess the facts charged in the presentment, the Bishop shall, with the consent and approval of the clerical members of the Standing Committee, proceed to pass sentence; otherwise he shall be considered as denying them.

Thirty Days' Notice.

SEC. 4. A written notice of the time and place of their first meeting shall be served on the accused at least thirty days before such meeting, or at an earlier day by consent of both parties; and if practicable, a like notice on one or more of those making the presentment.

To Complete the Court.

SEC. 5. If, at the time appointed for the first meeting of the board, the whole number of three do not attend, those present may adjourn from time to time, and if it appears at that time or later, improbable that the whole number will attend within a reasonable time, then such as may be present shall nominate five presbyters, from whom the accused, or if he fails or neglects, then the Bishop, shall select one or more necessary to fill up the Board, and the trial shall proceed, and a majority of the Board shall decide all questions.

Confession, or Pleading—Change of Charge.

SEC. 6. If a clergyman presented shall confess the truth of the facts alleged in the presentment and shall not demur thereto, it shall be the duty of the court to state their opinion to the Bishop as to the sentence which should be pronounced; and if he does not confess, then he shall be considered as denying them. The board shall, during the progress of the trial, and without

delay, permit the presentment to be amended in matter of form, and as to facts, not materially changing the charges. Amendments in matters of substance may also be allowed, if justice to the accused or the interests of the Church so require, but upon such conditions as will prevent surprise, and will secure a full and fair investigation and trial.

Absence of Accused.

SEC. 7. If a clergyman presented, after having had due notice, shall not appear before the Board of Presbyters appointed for his trial, the board may, nevertheless, proceed as if he were present, unless for good cause they shall see fit to adjourn till another day.

Evidence.

SEC. 8. *(a).* When the board proceeds to trial, they shall hear such relevant and competent evidence as shall be produced, which shall be reduced to writing and subscribed by the witnesses respectively. At the request of either party, the witnesses shall be sworn by an officer of the law authorized to do so, that they will testify the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth, as to the facts charged in the presentment.

Confession.

(b). If on or during the trial the accused shall confess the truth of the charges, as stated in the presentment, the board may dispense with hearing further evidence, and may proceed at once to state their opinion to the Bishop as to the sentence that ought to be pronounced.

Testimony of Non-Attendant Witnesses.

SEC. 9. Upon the application of either party to the Bishop, or to the Court after its organization, and it being made satisfactorily to appear that any material witness cannot be produced on the trial, the Bishop or the Court may appoint a commissioner to take the testimony of such witness, and shall prescribe what notice shall be given to the other party of the time and place of taking such testimony. Both parties may attend and examine the witness, and the questions and answers shall be reduced to writing and signed by the witness, and shall be certi-

fied by the commissioner and enclosed under his seal, and transmitted to the board, and shall be received by them as evidence. The witness so examined shall be sworn according to law.

Decision of the Court.

SEC. 10. *(a).* The board having deliberately considered the evidence, shall declare in a writing signed by them, or a majority of them, their decision on the charges contained in the presentment, distinctly stating whether the accused is guilty or not guilty of the charges respectively, and also stating the sentence which, in their opinion, ought to be pronounced; and a copy of such decision shall be, without delay, communicated to the accused, and the original decision, together with the evidence, shall be delivered to the Bishop, who shall pronounce such canonical sentence as shall appear to him to be proper; *provided*, the same shall not exceed in severity the sentence recommended by the board, and such sentence shall be final.

New Trial.

(b). But the Bishop, if he shall be satisfied that justice requires it, may grant a new trial to the accused; in which case, a new Board of Presbyters shall be appointed, the proceedings before whom shall be conducted as before mentioned.

Time and Place of Sentence.

(c). Before pronouncing any sentence, the Bishop shall summon the accused and any three or more of the clergy, to meet him at such time as may, in his opinion, be most convenient, in some church, to be designated by him, which shall for that purpose be open to all persons who may choose to attend, and the sentence shall be then and there pronounced by the Bishop.

Renunciation of Error of Doctrine or Ritual.

(d). Provided, however, that if the accused be convicted of an error in doctrine, or non-conformity to the rubrics of the Book of Common Prayer, and if the accused at such public assembly at such church, shall then and there, in writing, renounce the error of which he has been convicted, or avow his purpose of future conformity to the rubrics, and shall submit to the judgment of the Church, pronounced in his case; then, for a first offense, the sentence shall not exceed in severity that of admonition.

Service.

SEC. 11. All notices and papers contemplated in this Canon, may be served by a summoner or summoners, to be appointed by the Bishop or by the Court, and whose certificate of service shall be evidence thereof. In case of service by any other person, it shall be proved by his affidavit thereof. A written notice or paper delivered to a party, or left at his residence, shall be deemed a sufficient service thereof.

Counsel.

SEC. 12. Counsel shall be allowed on either side, provided they are communicants of the church.

Witnesses.

SEC. 13. If any communicant of the Church shall be summoned as a witness before the Court of Inquiry, or the board for the trial of the accused, and shall, without sufficient excuse, neglect or refuse to attend, or shall refuse to testify or be sworn or affirmed, such person shall be deemed guilty of a violation of Godly discipline.

Authority of the Bishop.

SEC. 14. All matters of government and discipline and proceedings connected therewith, not especially provided for by Canon, are within the authority and jurisdiction of the Bishop by virtue of his office.

Expenses of Trial.

SEC. 15. The expenses necessarily incurred in any investigation or trial under this Canon, including those of the accused when found innocent, shall be audited and settled under the direction of the Court, and shall be reported by them to the next Council for payment, as the Council may direct.

TITLE IV.

MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS.

CANON I.—OF THE REPEAL OF CANONS.

1. Whenever there shall be a repealing clause in any Canon, and the said Canon shall be repealed, such repeal shall not be a re-enactment of the Canon or Canons repealed by the said repealing clause.

CANON II.—ON THE ENACTMENT AND ALTERATION OF CANONS.

1. In all cases of future enactment, the same, if by way of amendment of an existing provision, shall be in the following form: "Canon...., or, section....of Canon...., or, clause.... of section....of Canon...., of Title...., is hereby amended so as to read as follows:" And if the enactment is of an additional clause, section or Canon, it shall be designated as the next Canon, or next section, or next clause of a Canon or section, in the order of numbering of the title to which the subject properly belongs; and if a Canon or section, or clause, be stricken out, the existing numbering shall be retained until a new edition of the Canons be directed.

2. No proposed alterations of, or additions to the Canons, shall be considered by the Council, unless by unanimous consent, without one day's notice thereof in open Council; nor shall such alteration or addition be adopted during the same Council, if two-thirds of those present and voting, shall not concur therein. If the proposed alteration or addition be affirmed by a majority, but not by two-thirds of those voting, then the measure shall lie over until the next Annual Council, and, if again affirmed by a majority vote, it shall take effect as the action of the Council.

ARTICLES OF ASSOCIATION

RECOMMENDED FOR THE ORGANIZATION OF NEW PARISHES.

We, whose names are hereunto subscribed, desiring to enjoy the privileges of religious worship and instruction according to the forms and doctrines of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, have this.....day of.....A. D., at.....in the State of Alabama, formed ourselves into a congregation, and adopted the following Articles of Association:

ARTICLE I. This Association or Congregation shall be known by the name of the rector, wardens and vestry of———Church.

ART. II. This Association acknowledges, accedes to, and adopts the Constitution, canons, doctrines, discipline and worship of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, and the Constitution and Canons of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Alabama.

ART. III. When any person uniting with this Association shall disclaim or refuse conformity to the authorities mentioned in the preceding article, he shall cease to be a member of the Association, and shall no longer enjoy the privilege of voting in the election of Vestrymen, of being elected, or of exercising any function concerning or connected with the said Association.

ART. IV. The Vestrymen of———Church, shall be elected annually, on the Monday in Easter week, by a majority of the canonically qualified voters assembled for that purpose; as provided by the Canon law of the Diocese. The Vestrymen so elected shall organize in obedience to the Diocesan Constitution and Canon, and shall continue in office for one year, or until others or chosen.

ART. V. The Rector of———Church shall be elected by the Wardens and Vestrymen in open meeting, which shall be duly convened for that purpose, they having due regard in all such elections to the previously ascertained wishes of the congregation, and especially of the communicants of the Church.

ART. VI. No person shall be chosen Rector or Minister, or Associate Rector or Minister of———Church, or be allowed to exercise any of the functions of the sacred ministry in the same, unless he shall be recognized by the Bishop having charge of

this Diocese, or if there is no Bishop, by the Standing Committee of the same, as an ordained Minister of the Protestant Episcopal Church in good standing; *Provided*, That nothing in this article shall be construed to prevent the Wardens and Vestry from inviting any regularly ordained Minister of the Protestant Episcopal Church, in good standing, and not known to be discountenanced by the authority aforesaid, to officiate occasionally in the Church; or shall be so construed so as to interfere with the performance of the usual services by Lay readers duly appointed to officiate in the congregation in the absence of the Minister.

ART. VII. The annual rents, contributions and other revenues raised by this Association or Congregation, shall be from time to time, applied by the Wardens and Vestry to the maintenance and support of the Rector or Minister, and to such other objects as are connected with the well-being of the Church, and to no other purposes whatever.

ART VIII. This Association, or the "Rector, Wardens and Vestry of————Church," or other persons in whose name the property of- ——— Church may be vested, shall not, by deed or any other means, without the consent of the Bishop having charge of the Diocese, under his hand—or if there be no such Bishop, of the Standing Committee of the said Diocese, by a majority thereof, under their hands—previously had and obtained, grant, alienate, or otherwise dispose of any lands, messuages, hereditaments, in them vested for the use and benefit of said Church, nor charge nor encumber the same to any person whatsoever.

ART. IX. In the case of the dissolution or extinction of this Association, for any cause whatever, or its withdrawal from communion and obedience of the Protestant Episcopal Church, then the lands, tenements and other estates, real or personal, if such there be, shall vest in the Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church in this Diocese, or under whose supervision it may for the time be, and his Canonical successors, to be by him and them held in trust for the benefit of a future Congregation of the Protestant Episcopal Church, which may be formed in the same place or its vicinity, and upon the same principles as the present Church and Association.

RESOLUTIONS

WHICH ARE YET IN FORCE.

Journal of 1884, *page* 14. That the Registrar of this Diocese be, and he is hereby authorized and instructed, with the consent of the Bishop, to procure sufficient room in the Safe Deposit Company of Montgomery for the purpose of keeping securely all important papers in his possession; and that the Treasurer of the Diocese be, and is hereby authorized to pay to the order of the Bishop to meet the expense of the same.

Journal of 1884, *page* 16. That there shall be a Diocesan Board of Missions, who shall have in charge the missionary work of the Diocese. The Bishop shall be President, and the members of the Board shall be the Deans of Convocations, and one layman from each Convocation, to be elected annually by Convention.

The Treasurer of the Diocesan Missionary Fund shall be the Treasurer of the Board.

That a majority of Deans and two Lay members of the Board shall constitute a quorum.

Journal 1887, *page* 19. That an Evangelist for the Diocese be selected by the Bishop and the Board of Missions, whenever a sufficient sum shall have been pledged for his support; and that his duties shall be to do such missionary work as the Bishop may direct, and to organize and superintend Missionary Societies in each Parish, with the consent of the Rector thereof.

2. That the salary of such Evangelist be $2,000.00, to be raised by pledges made for that purpose.

That each Rector and one Layman in each Parish be appointed a Committee to obtain such pledges, and report to the Board of Missions.

That this Council urges each communicant in the Diocese to lay apart some offering each week for Diocesan Missions.

Journal of 1887, *pages* 21, 22. 1. That each Rector be and he is requested to organize at an early day, a Missionary Society in his Parish.

2. That as soon as a Society shall be formed in any Parish, the Rector thereof shall report the names of the officers thereof to the Treasurer of the Diocesan Missionary Fund.

3. That the Treasurer of the Diocesan Missionary Fund shall have general supervision of Missionary organizations until the Evangelist shall be selected.

4. That the Treasurer be and he is requested to take such steps as may seem best to obtain special pledges for the support of the Evangelist.

Journal of 1888, *pages* 17, 18. That an Evangelist be selected by the Bishop and the Board of Missions, whenever a sufficient sum shall have been pledged for his support, and that his duty shall be to do such missionary work as the Bishop may direct.

That the salary of such Evangelist shall be fixed by the Board of Missions, not to exceed the sum of $2,000.

That the Treasurer of the Diocesan Missionary Fund shall send monthly, to the Rector of each Parish and the local missionary society, a printed statement of his receipts and disbursements, and the immediate needs of the Diocese; and may publish, in any church paper, any items which he may deem of especial interest, and he shall be authorized to employ clerical help in doing this work.

That the Board of Missions be, and they are hereby, authorized to appoint a Clergyman of the Diocese, who shall be, under the Bishop, the executive head of the Board of Missions.

Journal of 1888, *page* 19. 1. That the Board of Missions shall be composed of the Bishop of the Diocese, Assistant Bishop, the Arch-Deacon, the Deans of the several Convocations, the Treasurer of the Diocesan Missionary Fund, and a lay member from each Convocation; the Treasurer and lay members to be elected annually by the Council.

2. Whereas, the Council has authorized the Board of Missions to select an Executive Officer who, under the Bishop, shall have general charge of the missionary work of the Diocese.

That such officer shall be designated the Arch Deacon of the Diocese of Alabama, and shall be elected upon nomination of the Bishop at each Annual Council.

3. That it shall be his duty, from time to time, to visit the various mission points in the Diocese, having a general oversight thereof, and reporting to the Board of Missions when any action may be required on their part.

4. That with the consent of the Rectors, he shall visit different parishes, with the view of organizing local missionary societies.

5. That he shall make a report to the Bishop, prior to the meeting of each Annual Council, of his official acts, and such other matters of interest as pertain to the mission work of the Diocese.

6. That the Treasurer of the Diocesan Missionary Fund, under the direction of the Arch Deacon, and with the consent of the Rector of the parish or mission station, be and he is authorized to organize missionary societies within the Diocese of Alabama.

Journal of 1889, *page* 24, *(re-enacted in* 1890, *page* 17.*)* That the Board of Missions are authorized and requested to publish and distribute monthly, among the families of the several Parishes and Missions of the Diocese, a monthly paper, to contain the calendar for the month of publication, communications from the Bishop, a list of his appointments for the month, and of his visitations for the previous month, and such other matters as the Bishop and the Board may deem advisable to publish; *Provided*, that the expense shall not exceed thirty dollars a month; one-half of which shall be paid by the Board of Missions and one-half by the Council of the Diocese.

That while the paper is sent free to every family, the Council requests every family which is able to do so, to contribute the sum of fifty cents a year to that object.

That every Clergyman in charge of a Mission Station, and the Rector or Senior Warden of every Parish, be requested to send to the Secretary of the Board of Missions, a list of all the families in such Parish or Mission, or of any individuals not able to pay.

Journal of 1889, *page* 17. That a Committee of three be appointed who shall take into consideration the whole subject of Convocations, and report to the next council. *(No such report appears to have been made.)*

Journal of 1890, *page* 14. That it is hereby recommended that one offering be taken up in each church in this Diocese annually for the sustentation of the Theological Department of the University of the South, at Sewanee.

Journal of 1890, *page* 23. That the Committee on Parochial Reports be continued to the next Council with permission to sit during the recess.

Journal of 1891, *page* 30. That the Canon adopted at the last Council, entitled a Canon on the Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, be referred to the Standing Committee, in order that they may propose to the next Council such amendments as may bring said Canon into harmony with the Constitution of the Society for the Relief of Disabled Clergymen, and of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen.

That the offering on the appointed visitations of the Bishop to each Parish or Mission Station be devoted to Diocesan Missions.

That Mr. J. H. Fitts be appointed a committee to formulate and carry out a plan for placing an Evangelist in the Diocese and maintaining him for the space of not less than twelve months.

That the Clerical Trustee of the University of the South from this Diocese is hereby instructed and required at as early a date as possible, to formulate a plan and see that it is practically carried out, for the purpose of collecting the obligation placed on this Diocese for the support of the Theological Department of the University of the South.

Journal of 1891, *page* 35. That the Trustees of the Bishop's Fund are authorized and empowered to convey to the City of Montgomery, as and for a street, the strip of land on the southern boundary of the Hamner Hall Property, which was condemned for that purpose in the proceedings in the City Court of Montgomery, at the October term, 1890 of said Court.

That the Bishop's Fund be made whole in its original investment, and that the Diocese then take the remainder of the Hamner Hall Property to do with it, as it may deem best, according to the original intention of the donors, and to accomplish this, the Trustees of the Bishop's Fund, are authorized to sell so much thereof, in such manner and to such persons as

they deem best, until there shall have been returned to their trust the full amount of the debt, with interest, in liquidation of which the property was taken by the Trustees of the Bishop's Fund.

That the Trustees are authorized to lease the buildings with so much of the property as they may not conclude to sell, for such a term of years as their judgment may approve, and to use the rents, so far as necessary, in repairing the same.

That the Treasurer of the Society for the Relief of Disabled Clergymen and of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen, be requested to communicate with the Rectors of the various parishes and ask an offering for this Society on Christmas Day.

Journal of 1891, *page* 37. That the night of the second day of the session of each Annual Council be set apart for consideration of the claims of the Society for the Relief of Disabled Clergymen and of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen.

APPENDIX H.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

The Parochial Reports of this year are better than those of any previous year, owing to the greater pains taken with them and the better comprehension of what they ought to be. It is difficult to believe that the lame, halting, inaccurate, scanty, guess-work reports of five or six years ago were made in the same diocese, from the same parishes and by the same persons as those of this year. The labor of revision and correction grows less year by year, and the labor of tabulation greater; which is progress in the right direction. The tabulation of the reports can be made easy by division of labor in the Committee, if only the reports themselves are handed in promptly. The Committee's chief cause of complaint this year was the dilatoriness in this matter. Eight or ten reports came in on the last day of the session, and three after the adjournment of the Council, compelling alterations in the footings of all the columns of the tabular statement.

Nine places make no report this year, viz. Birmingham, St. Mary's, Coalburg, Columbia, Faunsdale, Gainesville, Martin's-Station, Oxford, Pushmataha and Scottsboro. Several of these are without a Rector, and for this and other

reasons could not report. In some cases the figures of last year with regard to families and communicants were brought forward in the tables by the committee; in other cases this was impossible owing to there being no report in 1890 from which to copy. The whole number of parishes and missions tabulated this year is 63.

FAMILIES.— The number of families last year was 2,566 in 60 parishes and missions; the number reported this year is 2,722, in 56 parishes and missions, a net gain of 163. During the year 129 families were lost, which loss had to be made good before there could be any gain; the total gain therefore was 292 families. These numbers do not agree with the footing of the columns in the tables: the discrepancy was caused by the carelessness of certain of the clergy, who took for their "Number reported last year," the figures of the first instead of the third column of last year's Journal, thereby working from the figures of year before last instead of those of last year. An error of this sort clearly demonstrates that he who makes it has no "Family List" in his Parish Register, and hence no certain data for any report. The Rector or Missionary having such a list naturally reports from it, and makes no error; without it his only recourse is to take the number reported last year as a basis, and try to remember how many families were lost during the year and how many gained, and so arrive at an estimate of probably how many families there are at present in the parish. If his basis is wrong of course his work is wrong. This is the course actually followed by many, not only with regard to families, but also to parishioners and communicants. It is the "rule of thumb" method; intolerable to a man of order accustomed to systematize his work: it is the unintelligent, plodding method of those who can neither make improvements themselves nor understand the improvements of others, nor even comprehend that their old methods are faulty. It is incomprehensible to your committee how any man can have charge even for a single year of a parish or mission, without at least attempting to make his three important lists, Families, Parishioners and Communicants; much more incomprehensible how he can suffer a series of years to pass with this necessary work undone. The excuses usually made, of a fluctuating population, constant changes, difficulty of obtaining information, etc., demonstrate first that the work has not seriously been attempted, since all these difficulties disappear before him who is determined to have correct lists and who has the capacity of taking pains; and also that the objector has not yet grasped the idea of what books and bookkeeping are for— and that is to record these very changes and fluctuations, and all of them. The idea that many clergymen have, that blank books are too precious to fill up with the names of people who are constantly coming and going, is probably born of the penuriousness of Vestries, who haggle over the price of a proper Parish Register. Such a book for even a small mission, should cost twelve or fifteen dollars; for a parish of 200 communicants twenty-five, and for 400 communicants thirty-five dollars. And the book is made to be written in, to be used, just as any ledger is used in a business house. These records are often of very great importance: they are good evidence in a court of law. The inheritance of property amounting to

thirty or forty thousand dollars, recently turned upon a record made in the Parish Register of a parish in this Diocese; at the time the record was made no one had the slightest idea of its future importance, least of all the clergyman who made it. Within ten years twelve or fifteen such cases have been rightfully decided by entries in the Register of one single parish in this Diocese, and as many more parties have sought for entries who could not find them. The Vestries who refuse to purchase proper record books may be depriving their own children or grandchildren of evidence which may be of very great value; and the Rectors who neglect to register their people and record their own official acts, are not only disobeying the Canon law of the general Church and of the Diocese, but may be the direct cause of heavy pecuniary loss to their people in years to come.

The movement of population is greater in the towns than in the villages and country; not only actually greater, but greater in proportion to population. The four cities Anniston, Birmingham, Mobile and Montgomery, had losses of 89 families and gains of 218; leaving losses of 40 and gains of 74 for all the rest of the Diocese. This is a total movement of 307 families in those cities, against 114 in the rest of the Diocese.

PARISHIONERS.— The number reported last year was 10,281, although the clergy this year declare that they reported last year 10,309. The discrepancy arises from the same cause as that noted above in the case of families. The number reported this year is 11,150: but one parish with 79 families does not give its number of parishioners, which should be about 350; and another parish which last year had 99 parishioners, reports none at all this year. Including these we have about 11,600 with five places neither reported nor estimated. Of these probably 20 per cent. are under fifteen years of age.

COMMUNICANTS.— The number of Communicants as given in the reports for the last twelve years is as follows:—

1880	3,458	1886	4,216
1881	3,619	1887	4,652
1882	3,836	1888	4,885
1883	3,736	1889	5,409
1884	4,076	1890	5,777
1885	3,527	1891	6,295

This table shows clearly the carelessness in recording and reporting which prevailed in the Diocese previous to the year 1886, when the form now in force began to be generally used. Your Committee do not believe that the number of communicants has been less than 4,000 and perhaps not less than 4,500 in any year since 1880. There were certainly no such loss between 1884 and 1885 as the reports for the latter year indicate, nor is it probable that we lost one hundred communicants between 1882 and 1883.

The net increase over last year, as shown above, is 518; but the losses amounted to 425. The total gain this year must therefore have been 943 in order to make up the losses and give the increase shown in the table. The reported gain is 946; a discrepancy caused by a tangle of circumstances, which will be partially revealed by a comparison of the items in the columns of the

tabular statement. It seems impossible to your committee that there should have been nearly a thousand communicants added to the list during the last twelve months. The parishes which report this year and did not report last year, account for only 150 of this number, leaving about 800 as the number of new names. This is about 14 per cent. gross and 9.33 per cent. net. If it be a true gain it is astonishing. The figures of next year will have a special interest with regard to this matter, as confirming or discrediting it. With regard to the losses; 76 communicants died this year, against 84 last year and 73 the year before; 279 removed this year, against 264 last year and 202 the year before; 41 were dropped this year, against 72 last year and only 6 the year before; not specified 29 this year, against 40 last year; making a total loss this year of 425, against 460 last year and 331 the year before. With regard to the gains; 470 communicants were added by Confirmation this year, against 181 last year and 429 the year before; 117 were admitted to communion, against 21 last year and 90 the year before; 236 were added by removal, against 325 last year and 229 the year before; and 123 were gained in ways not specified this year, against 121 last year; making a total gain of 946 as reported and 957 as corrected this year, against 648 reported last year and 828 corrected. These figures show how necessary it is that the clergy, in making their reports, should first be accurate in the number which they say they reported last year, and then should account for the differences, whether of loss or gain.

Analysis of Communicants.— Sex. The number reported on this year is 5,041, nearly five-sixths of the whole number; last year a little less than one-half, and the year before a little over one-third of the whole number. Of the 5,041, 1,614, are males and 3,427, are females; that is, 32 per cent. of the whole number of communicants are males and 68 per cent. are females; this is a little less than one-third. We hope to have figures still more full next year. The proportions are very nearly the same as last year. It will be a remarkable fact, if it should prove to be true, that the Episcopal Church in Alabama has one male communicant for every two females; we doubt if any other church can show more than one to four or one to five. In some parts of the North the proportion is one to eight or ten, and in some parts of Europe, one to twenty. Age. The number reported on is 3,342, or more than one-half the whole number. Of these 2,789 are adults and 553 are minors. The U. S. Census of 1890 draws the line between these two classes at 15 years of age, and estimates the strength of the religious bodies in the country by their number of members 15 years of age and over, refusing to count those under that age. Where the proportions cannot be accurately given they are estimated according to the usual proportions of population; an estimate which works against the church. Of the number reporting 16½ per cent. are minors; the percentage in the population at large is over 25. Colored.— Only four parishes report this year, against 8 last year. We then had 78 colored communicants, of whom 64 were in the Good Shepherd Mission, Mobile. This year we have 76; a loss of 2, although the Good Shepherd added 9 to its number. This would indicate a loss of 11 colored communicants in the

Diocese at large. Upon comparing the reports we find that Demopolis has lost 2, Florence 1, Marion 7, and Tilden 1. RELATION TO THIS LIST. A difficulty which many clergymen have in making up their lists of communicants, lies in the fact that a considerable number of confirmed persons do not commune, and the Rector is uncertain whether or not to class them as communicants. This difficulty is met by a classification into "*Regular, Seldom, Never* and *Doubtful.*" In the Parish Register four narrow columns may be ruled to the right of the names, and the above headings written at the top of the columns; then a check mark opposite each name in the appropriate column, will effect the classification. A count of the check marks will enable the report to be quickly and easily made. Similar columns may be ruled for Male and Female, Adults and Minors; and a somewhat wider column to indicate whether the person became a communicant by confirmation, admission or removal. To the left of the names there should be a date column to indicate when the person became a communicant. Any one with red ink and a ruler can so prepare his Register that a full classification can be easily made and maintained. With regard to frequency of communing, reports are made this year for 4,390, about two-thirds of the whole number. Of these 362 seldom commune, 183 never commune, 66 are doubtful, that is, the Rector is doubtful where to place them, 309 are not specified, and 3,470 are regular communicants. Thirty-eight places report and twenty-five do not: and of those reporting three classify their whole number as regular communicants, which is probably a mistake.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS.— Forty-three places report schools, against 47 last year, a loss of 5. Twenty reports leave this column blank, thereby reporting that they have no schools, against 15 last year. A loss of five Sunday Schools is a very serious matter and requires looking into. A comparison of this year's reports with last year's discloses the following facts.

Eight places reported Sunday Schools last year which do not report them this year; viz., Bon Secour, Carlowville, Faunsdale, Florence, Hayneville, Oxford, Scottsboro and Sheffield; and these 8 places had last year 38 teachers, 16 other officers, and 233 pupils. It is not probable that these Sunday Schools have all disbanded. Examining them in detail— the school at Bon Secour is still existing though not reported; the Rector of Faunsdale was sick at the time of the Council; the Rector of Florence died during the year greatly mourned; the Missionary at Oxford has removed to Georgia; and Florence and Sheffield both report Sunday School contributions and expenditures, which would be impossible if they had no schools. This reduces the number of schools reported as lost since last year to three, Carlowville, Hayneville and Scottsboro; and these three had last year 13 teachers, 7 other officers and 86 pupils. But, on the other hand, five places reported Sunday Schools this year which did not report any last year; viz., Forkland, Montevallo, Prattville, Troy and Union Springs; and these five have 15 teachers, 2 other officers and 75 pupils. Whether these are really new schools, or whether they only appear so through last year's errors in making reports, it is impossible to say. Fourteen Sunday Schools report no offering. We hope this is owing

to carelessness in reporting, and not to the fact that the children are not taught to give. The tabular statement shows 2,801 pupils in the Diocese, to which we may add last year's reports from Bon Secour, Faunsdale, Florence, Oxford and Sheffield, making 2,948 pupils, with 367 teachers and 98 other officers; and these are in 48 different places. Among the places which report no Sunday Schools are St. Mary's, Birmingham, which had in 1888, 58 families, Livingston with 17 families, Opelika with 12 families, and Tilden with 12 families. Probably there are schools in some of these places: if not, to establish them should be the first step in advance.

The Church of the Advent, Birmingham, appears to be the only parish in the Diocese which supports a Mission school. Several mission schools heretofore reported have grown into independent Mission Stations. Grace Church Anniston, reports 2 secular day-schools, and St. Michael's 1. The Good Shepherd of Mobile has such a school but does not report it.

PARISH SOCIETIES.— There are reported this year 74 societies of the laity in 33 Parishes and Missions, against 68 last year in 34 places. Of these 5 do not give their number of members, while the others report 1,853 members as against 1,762 last year, an increase of 91. Thirty Parishes and Missions do not report any societies. Ten places report 14 societies with 184 members, but report no income from them: these are Auburn, Avondale, Boligee, Clayton, Greensboro, Huntsville, Livingston, Opelika, Trinity Station and Woodlawn. The omission was probably caused by the fact that these societies have their own Treasurers, and do not report to the Treasurer of the parish. A word from the Rector would doubtless remedy this omission. The amount of money raised by the societies which do report their finances was $10,323.69. This is a large sum and was doubtless of very great value to the parishes that profited by it. It would seem to your committee that those Parishes and Missions which have no societies for parochial work should study the column which gives the amounts earned by the Guilds and Chapters, and consider whether it would not be well to try the experiment.

MINISTERIAL OFFICES.—BAPTISMS.— Forty-one places report 434 Baptisms this year, of whom 92 were adults; but there is a singular addition made to the list in a way that will probably never happen again. The Rev. J. C. Kerr, Post Chaplain U. S. A., while at Mt. Vernon Barracks, after some months' labor among the Apache Indians confined there, Baptized 31 adults and 58 infants of Geronimo's band, among whom was the old chief himself and his wife. These are not entered on the Tables at the end of this Journal as the Indians cannot be counted as belonging to the Diocese, since the Government passes them from one Chaplain to another. These Baptisms swell the number for this year to 523. It will be interesting to compare the figures under this head for the last ten years:

1882,	303	1887,	489
1883,	259	1888,	490
1884,	283	1889,	465
1885,	339	1890,	457
1886,	453	1891,	434 and 523.

It is probable that the reports previous to 1886 are not reliable, as it was in that year that we began to pay more attention to statistics. This table shows 4,061 Baptisms during the ten years. Twenty-two places did not report this year, and presumably had no Baptisms.

HOLY COMMUNION.— There were 872 public and 85 private celebrations this year, in 49 places. This item varies from year to year in quite a remarkable way. In 1890 it was 949; in 1889, 899; in 1888, 805. Fourteen places do not report on this subject. It is not pleasant to think that in so many places the Communicants of our Church have not had an opportunity to approach the Lord's Table.

There were 148 marriages this year, against 140 last year and 109 the year before. There were 228 burials, against 209 last year and 245 the year before: 60 of these were in one parish, and 106 or nearly one-half, in Mobile. Of the 228, 76 were communicants. Several of the Clergy show an extraordinary amount of work in the number of sermons preached. A fair average for a Rector in a settled parish, would be from 60 to 75, not often reaching the latter number. Yet one of our number has preached 120 sermons, another 112, and another 109. This indicates a good deal of week-day missionary work, especially when coupled with a fair number of lectures and addresses, showing that the clergyman does not count every public speaking a sermon. Several of our most prominent Rectors do not report under this head.

CONFIRMATIONS.— The reports show 536 persons confirmed from May 1st, 1890, to May 1st, 1891. This differs from the number given by the Bishops, who count from Council to Council, a method which does not permit accurate comparisons of one year with another. Of the 536, 171 were males, 295 females, and 70 not specified; 233 were adults, 218 minors and 85 not specified; 10 were colored persons; 120 were received from other religious bodies, with about one-fourth of the whole number concerning which no report is made on this item; and 85 were heads of families, with a similar number of omissions to report. Although 536 persons were confirmed only 470 were added to the list of Communicants by Confirmation. This indicates that 66 persons were held back by their Rectors from communion immediately after confirmation, as needing some preparation for communion beyond that needed for confirmation. Last year the number was 29, and the year before it was 54. If this be purposely done it is quite a serious matter; it will be interesting to trace it up so far as the columns in the tabular statement will show. Brierfield had 9 confirmed, but makes no addition to its list of communicants which stands at 18. Ought this number be 27? or was it only 9 last year becoming 18 by the addition of the 9 just confirmed? Looking at last year's journal, for Brierfield brings no figures forward, we find 10 communicants reported last year. We therefore conjecture that this mission lost one, in some unknown way, and gained these nine confirmees. Why this was not stated in the report it is impossible to say. Carlowville had 69 communicants last year, lost 10 by removal, had 2 confirmed and reports 59 this year, showing that the 2 are not added. This may easily happen with a small number,

for various reasons; as that the persons confirmed may have been strangers, or persons on the point of removal: therefore the correctness of the omission in this case is not to be questioned. Similarly Clayton, Jacksonville, Troy and Woodlawn have 2 each, and Montevallo has 1, who were confirmed but are not reported as added to the list of communicants for that reason. We cannot pass these as correct, however, because Clayton loses 9 and gains 3 communicants without specifying in any case how they were lost or gained; similarly Jacksonville loses 4 and gains 8, Troy loses 6 and gains 2, Woodlawn loses 7 and gains 10, and in no case is there any specification of how lost or how gained. We may presume that these confirmees were added, but it will be seen at once how this carelessness in reporting makes it difficult to reach reliable conclusions. Florence reports 7 persons confirmed but does not add them to its list of communicants; the parish appears to be prospering, however, for it adds 29 communicants without specification. As only 7 could have been added by confirmation, we may surmise that they were so added and that 22 communicants removed into the parish during the year. The Good Shepherd, Mobile, reports 10 persons confirmed, has lost 2 communicants during the year, and adds 11, but does not state that any were added because of confirmation. This applies also to Union Springs, Whistler and Mt. Meigs. This analysis of the causes of the difference between 536 confirmed and 470 communicants added by confirmation, discloses that in all probability none were held back by their Rectors from communion, but that the Rectors were careless in making their reports.

FINANCIAL SUMMARY.

Sources of Income.— Only three parishes this year report themselves as supported by pew-rents, against 5 last year and 4 the year before. The amount raised by pew-rents was, omitting fractions, $11,220; and by subscriptions $35,650. The two methods taken together produced $46,876; against $42,656 last year and $40,672, the year before; an increase of $4,200 over last year and $6,200 over the year before. The Communion Alms this year amount to $2,507, or $300 less than last year. The Guilds and Societies raised $10,323. Looking down this column we see one parish reports over $2,000 raised by societies, three parishes report over $1,000 each, three over $500 each, one over $400, two over $300, two over $200, two over $100, and nine less than $100; while ten parishes which have such societies do not report them as doing any work at all. Gifts of money this year amounted to $18,384, against $6,240 last year; but of the large amount this year $11,000 was given in one parish, St. Michael's, Anniston. Three parishes received over $1,000, and three over $500. The money value of other gifts was $8,000, of which Selma received $5,600 and St. John's Montgomery $1,168. The Sunday Schools raised $3,800; about the same as last year. St. John's Montgomery leading the list with $600. Rectors and Vestrymen will be surprised to find some amounts under the heads of "Borrowed" and "All Other Sources," which were not written down by them. The committee took the lib-

erty of making these entries for the reason that it is not good morals to spend more money than one receives. Dr. Samuel Johnson wrote about this, as did Dean Swift in his incisive way, and the immortal Benjamin Franklin. Mr. Micawber, also, made a remark about the relation of expense to income which has been quoted so often that we omit it here. These authorities treat mostly of the peace of mind to be gained by him who keeps his expenses within his income. Your committee, however, take higher ground, and suggest that it is distinctly immoral to spend more money than one receives. If the Sons of Belial may not do this thing, surely Churches and Clergymen should not. Your committee cannot control the thing itself, but they can control the recital of it to the world. In short, we have forced a balance in a number of instances by making parishes "Borrow" or receive "From Other Sources" sums of money which perhaps they did not so receive, but which must have come from *somewhere* or they could not have been spent. The committee acknowledge the turpitude of this action, but submit that it was a choice of immoralities. They preferred to believe that a report told the truth as to its expenses, since these were positive assertions, and only *omitted* items of income. These omitted items they endeavored to supply according to the best of their judgment. A man does not often forget his regular income; he is not likely to forget a gift; but experience teaches that a man often borrows money and forgets it, and sometimes receives money from irregular and occasional sources and also forgets. Hence the committee selected these two columns for this supplying of "forgets." The footings of these two colums is $13,848; of which a large proportion must be charged to the committee. The total income of all the Parishes and Missions in the Diocese was $111,080.22, with 15 places not reporting. Last year the total income was $125,178.86, with only 8 not reporting. In 1889 the total income was $84,890.67. This year, therefore, stands approximately between the two.

EXPENDITURES.

General Objects.— Foreign and Domestic Missions received from Alabama this year $664.09, against $463.89 last year, and $702.21 the year before; but 40 places gave nothing and only 23 places contributed. The Good-Friday collection for the Jews amounted to $156.52 with only 14 parishes contributing. Other general objects received $67.15, with a total of $922.11 against $803.10 last year, and $1,110.50 the year before. Last year a single one-cent appeared in these colums, heralding the advent of copper pennies among us; this year there seem to be forty or fifty of them.

Diocesan Objects.— The amounts paid upon the assessments ordered by the Council foot up as $4,462.32; with 20 places not reporting: these 20 probably brought their money tied up in the mouth of their sacks, when they came up unto Anniston, forgetting the oft repeated injunction of the Council to remit their dues quarterly to the Treasurer. And probably these same 20 places will forget to insert these amounts paid *after* May 1st, in their next year's reports; the Parochial Report year is from the 1st of May, 1891, to the 30th of

April, 1892. Diocesan Missions received $2,962.99, against $3,427.59 last year. Twenty-eight places appear to have given nothing to Diocesan Missions this year. We recommend a study of this column to the Treasurer of that fund. The Church Home received $1,802.74 from the whole Diocese, of which the Mobile parishes gave $1,408.10, St. John's, Montgomery, $106.19 and St. John's, Tuscumbia, $105.55. Only 7 other parishes gave anything, leaving 51 places which paid no attention to this great charity. The Theological Department of the University of the South was neglected more than usual this year, only 7 places out of 63 giving anything, and they only $112.43. The amount last year was $156.47, and for previous years, $146.95 and $159.87. The fund for disabled clergy and widows and orphans of deceased clergy, received $239.64, against $223.64 and $162.59 for the two preceding years. The total amount given for Diocesan purposes was $9,669.28, 17 places not contributing at all; against $9,285.71 last year and $8,404.27 and $8,809.23 for the two preceding years.

Parochial Objects.— The Diocese gave for the support of its clergy this year, including the Bishops, $34,620.81, which is practically the same as last year. The cost of maintaining worship in the items classed as current expenses, was $12,137.19 with 27 places not reporting. These omissions to report are inexplicable, for even the smallest Mission must find it necessary to pay some money for light, heat, attendance, music, etc. Repairs and improvements called for $8,254.58 of which Greensboro expended $2,971.87, the largest single amount, and Christ Church, Mobile, $1,643.11, the next largest; last year the latter parish led with over $3,500, and the year before with over $6,400. There was expended for the poor $2,635.56. The Communion Alms this year amounted to $2,507.69, and this is the first year since at least 1883 that as much has been given to the poor as was received for them. Last year the discrepancy was over $1,200. An analysis of the figures show that something is still wrong. Twenty-seven parishes and missions seem to have had no dealings with the poor, receiving no Communion Alms, and giving nothing. Twenty other parishes received Alms to the amount of $682.46, but gave nothing to the poor. We may presume that the Rector read the Prayer Book sentences during the Offertory, and it is a little singular that not one dollar of that amount found its way to the path indicated by those sentences. The assertion that such and such a parish has no poor, is indicative only of a lack of interest: the poor are always to be found by those who look for them. Five other parishes received Communion Alms to the amount of $954.30, and gave $452.85 to the poor; thus keeping back $501.45. These two classes, those who gave nothing and those who gave part, profited to the extent of $1,183.91 from the "devotions of the people." A certain amount of the Communion Alms may be legitimately used for other objects than the care of the poor, such as the purchase of bread and wine; but not so large a proportion as one-half, as by the 5 parishes, and certainly not the whole. A part of these cases were probably caused by the payment of a Missionary, wholly or in part, out of the Communion Alms. Would it not in such instances be better to support the Missionary by subscription, and let the Alms of the people go to their

legitimate object? It will be noticed that the places who give nothing to the poor also give nothing for Missionary purposes or to any of the great charities of the Church. The balance for the Diocese at large between the Communion Alms and the giving to the poor is brought up by 8 places, which received $540.77 and gave $1,855.01, an excess of $1,314.24, and one-half of this amount is given by one parish. Our Lord said "Give and it shall be given unto you." For Sunday Schools $1,894.61 was expended, while the offerings from Sunday Schools was $3,808.68, or very nearly $2,000 profit to the parishes that have them. This should be an indication to be heeded by those Missions which have not thought it worth while to attempt to teach the children. Parochial Missions last year called for $771.25 and was divided mainly between two parishes, Grace Church, Anniston, and St. Paul's, Selma. The latter parish appears to have dropped its missionary work this year, while Grace Church keeps hers up at an expense of $336.87, to which Carlowville adds $12.90. In purchases of various kinds for Church or Rectory, St. Michael's Church, Anniston, this year leads the list with $10.585; Selma follows with $5,600, Tuskaloosa with $1,800, and Eufaula with $1,074.48. The total for the whole Diocese is $20,785.63, against only $2,838, last year. Gifts of various articles to the value of $2,277.36 were received, against $4,928 last year. Funds held in trust for parochial purposes were increased by $4,879.53, against $25,803 last year. The Church of the Advent, Birmingham spent $5,729.69 for new buildings this year, to which Decatur added $680.10, and St. Michael's, Anniston $415; in all $6,824.79 against about $8,600 last year. The parishes enter a new year with over five thousand dollars in their Treasuries. The total parochial expenditures this year are $97,362.28, against $102, 574 last year, and $76,857 the year before.

Arrearages.— Debts to the amount of $4,017.65 were paid this year, of which $30 was interest, $2,054 principal, $895 due Rectors, and $321 due the Diocese. Last year these payments amounted to over $12,000.

Balance.— The totals given by the Diocese were— for General purposes $887.76, for Diocesan purposes $9,669.28, for Parochial purposes $97,362.28, and for debts $4,017.65; making a total of expenditure for all purposes of $110,265.80. Last year this amount was $125,057.20. Our grand totals of expense and income do not balance this year by $814.42; last year we came within $21.66 of a balance. This discrepancy was caused this year by the exhaustion of the committee before the reports were finished.

Present Condition.— Last year there was but one mortgage debt in the Diocese, this year another one is added; the two together amount to $2,180. The floating debt is small, $2,655, and one parish owes almost the whole of that. Unpaid salaries and assessments are but $556. The various Guilds and Societies start a new year with $4,232 cash in hand. Special funds held in trust amount to $31,059.20, of which Grace Church, Anniston holds $20,500 towards her endowment. Assets due and not collected amount to $4,045, of which one parish holds $2,500, and another $969. Could these be collected one parish would pay its debt and have over $500 over, and two others would nearly pay out. This $4,045 is almost certainly an understatement, as was

the $4,368 of last year. It may be that parish treasurers are very prompt in charging up to profit and loss their delinquent and tardy subscriptions and pew rents, but hardly so prompt as this amount would indicate. So small a delinquent list as this in an income of over a hundred and eleven thousand dollars, is abnormal. If we take out the one large amount we have only $1,500 loss by 62 parishes in an income of one hundred thousand dollars; one and one-half per cent. No business in the world has so small a loss as this, unless, perhaps, it be a bank. It cannot be that parish treasurers are the closest collectors in the world. It is more likely that the parish accounts are loosely kept, and still more likely that the reports are inaccurate in this particular.

INSURANCE.— On $672,670 worth of property, of which $606,313 is of a perishable nature, we have insurance to the amount of 123,725 ; about one-fifth. This seems too small a proportion. We note, however, that only 19 parishes report on this item, leaving 44 places which give no answer to the question.

VALUATION OF PROPERTY.— Thirty-nine places report church buildings to the value of $379,025. Last year 45 places reported churches to the value of $369,200; six reports less this year but $10,000 more. The committee, when they reached this point, were too tired to hunt up errors. After tabulating the reports of this year it seemed the last straw to take the Journal of last year and fill in omissions. The Chairman of the Committee, however, a month later, delayed the printing of the journal one day in order to overrun this column in connection with last year's reports, and in so doing discovered the following facts. Nine parishes increase their valuation of last year by $13,075, of which $7,500 is by the Church of the Advent, Birmingham, which spent that amount on its new church, now building, during the year; Avondale, also, grew from $600 to $2,100, an increase of $1,500. On the other hand, St. Mary's, Birmingham was burned, involving a reduction of $12,000 on last year's valuation ; and 8 other parishes reported a reduced valuation of $6,850. The largest of these is Tuskaloosa which last year valued its church at $15,000, and this year at $12,000 ; Marion, also, drops from $3,000 to $2,000. Eight parishes reported last that omitted to report this year, involving a valuation of $28,800; these were Columbia, Demopolis, Faunsdale, Greensboro, Jacksonville, Martin's Station, Montevallo and Union Springs. And two parishes reported which never did so before, adding $42,500; there were the two in Montgomery. In order to have as much information in the tabular statement as possible the omissions have been inserted, and the footings which were reported to the Council have been changed for the Journal. With regard to Rectories 4 omissions were supplied involving an increase of $12,300. With regard to "Real Property" and "Furniture, etc." omissions were not supplied since such property might have been sold since last year's reports. Selma last year reported $6,000 of real property, which was not reported this year; on the other hand the Church of the Advent, Birmingham reported last year a valuation of $30,400 real property, and this year $40,000, an increase of $9,600. Several reductions of valuation are noted. Marion's Rectory last year was reported worth $3,000, this year as only worth $700. With regard to "Furniture, etc.", this year's reports omit $6,650, which were

given last year; and St. Michael's, Anniston adds a large amount never before given. The changes from last year's valuations are $5,715 increase and $4,125 decrease, aside from omissions and new reports. Two items among these reductions of valuation of Church furniture are quite remarkable; Greenville drops from $800 last year to $125 this year, and Marion from $3,000 to $400. Altogether the changes in valuations, aside from omissions and new reports, in churches, rectories, real property and furniture, taken together amount to $29,155 increase, and $31,175 decrease. These figures indicate the need for more careful estimates of values. It is not out of place to ask the clergy to appoint vestry committees, or in some way obtain fairly accurate valuations, and then adhere to those figures until changes are properly made.

The footings as corrected show 47 church buildings, 2 more than last year, to the value of $407,825, with 16 places not reporting. There are 4 Chapels, valued at $29,000. There are 18 Rectories, 2 more than last year, valued at $73,550. There are 5 Chapter or School Houses or other parish buildings, valued at $50,350. Real Property owned by parishes is valued at $66,355, with omissions known to the committee but not inserted, to the value of about $15,000 more. The moveable furniture, such as organs, libraries, furnaces, chimes, stalls, lecterns, valuable pulpits, Altars, Altar Crosses, etc., are reported at $45,590, with 33 places not reporting. This item should be nearly double. The total valuation of capital invested is $672,670, with 15 places failing to report. The valuation given last year was $671,422 with 18 places failing to report.

TITLE TO PROPERTY: ORGANIZATION: INCORPORATION.— The questions concerning thes topics are answered by only 24 out of 63 reports. The nine oldest parishes in the Diocese are Christ Church, Mobile, organized in 1825; Christ Church, Tuskaloosa, in 1829; St. John's Church, Montgomery, in 1835; St. Paul's Church, Selma, in 1838; St. Paul's, Carlowville, in 1839; St. Paul's, Greensboro, in 1840; Church of the Nativity, Huntsville, in 1842; St. John's, Mobile, and Grace Church, Tilden, in 1853; and these are all which appear, *by the reports*, to have been in existence before 1868, when St. Paul's, Decatur, was organized. We hope to correct these dates next year.

In closing, your committee respectfully ask those Rectors who are interested in reading this report, to please bring forward correct figures from last year's reports under the heads "Number reported last year," for families, parishioners and communicants, and to account for changes between last year and this year in their proper places of loss and gain. We ask them also, when preparing their reports for another year, to please re-read *this* report; and, if it be not too much trouble, to read the closing remarks in this committee's report for 1889.

Respectfully submitted,

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STATISTICAL SUMMARY.

Number.	Parishes and Missions. Locality.	Name of Parish.	Officers. Rectors.	Wardens.	Treasurer.	Clerk.	Number.	Families. Number Reported Last Year.	Changes. Loss.	Gained.	Present Number of Families.	Parishioners. Number Reported Last Year.	Changes. Loss.	Gained.	Present Number of Parishioners.
1	Anniston	Grace	P. A. Fitts	A. L. Tyler, V. H. Marshall	L. W. Hammond	Ben Micou	1	117	23	13	107	372	...	...	70
2	Anniston	St. Michael's	W. D. Martin	J. W. Noble, O. H. Parker	J. H. Noble	S. Robinson	2	20	...	30	50	100	..	214	31
3	Athens	St. Timothy	J. C. Johnes	...	...	...	3	14	1	3	16	55	1	2	5
4	Auburn	Holy Innocents.	...	W. L. Broun, J. S. Newman	J. H. Lane	J. B. McDonald	4	9	...	2	11	60	10	20	7
5	Avondale	Christ Church	Thos. Burry	...	J. Prescott	...	5	10	..	...	10	30	...	...	4
6	Bessemer	Trinity	Benj. Dennis	Chas. E. Morris, W. C. Fellows.	W. H. Levan	N. L. Carpenter	6	16	...	19	35	56	...	55	11
7	Birmingham.	Advent	T. J. Beard	W. J. Milner, F. H. Armstrong.	C. A. Garland.	W. P. G. Harding.	7	235	28	38	245	1,200	140	160	1,22
8	Birmingham.	St. Mary's	O. P. Fitzsimmons.	Jno. White, Robt. Chisholm	J, T. Mead	H. L. Underwood.	8	79	...	...	79	...	...	...	...
9	Brierfield	...	J. F. Smith	...	...	...	9	11	...	...	11	25	...	...	5
10	Boligee	St. Mark's	J. J. Harris	...	...	...	10	7	...	1	8	...	...	...	3
11	Bon Secour	St. Peter's	Percy W. Jones	John Miller, John Rohnwick	William Witt.	...	11	16	...	...	16	83	...	...	8
12	Carlowville	St. Paul's	F. B. Lee	J. D. Alison, R. J. Lidè	J. D. Alison, Jr.	J. D. Alison, Jr.	12	28	1	...	27	108	10	1	9
13	Clayton	Grace	E. W. Spalding	...	...	...	13	7	...	...	7	35	...	...	3
14	Coalburg	...	...	...	...	...	14	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
15	Columbia	St. Paul's	...	...	...	...	15	4	...	...	4	17	...	...	1
16	Citronelle	...	Percy W. Jones	...	Dr. J. G. Michael	...	16	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
17	Decatur	St. Paul's	J. C. Johnes	J. H. Gray, W. H. Jarvis	J. H. Gray	W. J. Polk	17	55	12	5	48	142	23	10	12
18	Demopolis	Trinity	J. A. Harrison	J. T. Jones, J. R. Robertson	D. F. Prout	D. F. Prout	18	53	...	1	54	205	...	5	21
19	Eufaula	St. James'	E. W. Spalding	H. R. Shorter, H. D. Clayton	D. Thornton	D. Thornton	19	38	4	5	39	162	8	16	17
20	Eutaw	St. Stephen's	W. R. Dye	B. B. Barnes, Jas. Banks, Jr	B. B. Barnes	J. Banks, Jr.	20	23	...	6	29	60	...	50	11
21	Evergreen	St. Mary's	G. R. Upton	P. D. Bowles, F. Hickox	C. B. Savage	C. B. Savage	21	9	...	...	9	35	1	...	3
22	Faunsdale	St. Michael's	J. F. John	John Minge, J. F. Watkins	J. F. Watkins	Wm. Selden	22	26	...	...	26	113	...	...	11
23	Florence	Trinity	...	R. L. Bliss, H. B. Lee	Chas. Tatum	A. L. Ellett, Jr.	23	27	...	...	27	160	...	...	16
24	Forkland	St. John's	W. A. Stickney	A. S. Brasfield, W. N. Glover	Miss A. L. Glover	A. S. Brasfield	24	10	1	...	9	30	1	...	2
25	Gadsden	Holy Comforter.	W. T. Allen	W. Alexander, Sr., O. Goldman.	Jas. Balfour	Otto Agricola	25	10	...	10	20	40	...	47	8
26	Gainesville	St. Alban's	...	...	...	...	26	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...

27	Gallion	St. Andrew's	R. H. Cobbs	H. A. Tayloe, R. H. Dugger	R. H. Dugger	R. H. Dugger	27	6	1	...	5	24	2	...	2
28	Greensboro	St. Paul's	R. H. Cobbs	A. S. Jeffries, R. H. Stickney	C. E. Waller	C. Derrick	28	48	1	1	48	216	7	5	31
29	Greenville	St. Thomas'	G. R. Upton	D. G. Dunklin, E. Crenshaw	H. Wilson	H. Wilson	29	30	...	...	30	125	..	1	12
30	Hayneville	St. Andrew's	G. R. Upton	J. F. Clements	W. Brightman	W. Brightman	30	10	..	...	10	35	...	...	3
31	Huntsville	Nativity	J. M. Banister	Dan'l Coleman, Jos. Martin	Luke Mathews	J. White	31	113	2	4	115	426	4	26	44
32	Jacksonville	St. Luke's	W. T. Allen	Peyton Rowan	Geo. Montgomery	W. H. Dean	32	13	...	...	13	67	...	...	6
33	Livingston	St. James'	J. J. Harris	W. R. DeLoach, N. F. Randall			33	17	3	1	15	56	10	2	4
34	Lowndesboro	St. Paul's	G. R. Upton	Wm. Hall, C. Douglass	C. Douglas	C. Douglass	34	9	...	1	10	38	...	2	4
35	Marion	St. Wilfrids	W. R. Dye	Jas. Gregory, R. H. Evins	R. H. Evins		35	29	...	1	30	116	...	5	12
36	Martin's St'n	St. Luke's			M. Martin, Jr		36	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
37	Mobile	Christ Church	J. L. Tucker	D. McNeill, H. A. Schroeder	J. L. Abbot, Jr	R. Middleton	37	154	2	8	160	647	15	29	66
38	Mobile	Good Shepherd	A. W. Pierce		Caesar Starks		38	60	...	5	65	280	...	...	30
39	Mobile	St. John's	G. C. Tucker	O. J. Semmes, W. J. McCowan	W. D. Matzenger	Fred Graves	39	302	2	74	374	1,269	83	198	1,38
40	Mobile	Trinity	J. L. Lancaster	H. T. Toulmin, W. J. McCoy	A. M. Quigley	G. B. Cleveland	40	200	...	...	200	650	...	...	65
41	Montevallo		J. F. Smith				41	6	...	...	6	24	...	...	2
42	Montgomery	Holy Comforter	W. C. Whitaker	J. L. Cobbs, T. G. Foster	N. H. Holmes	J. B. Trimble	42	66	24	18	60	328	94	50	28
43	Montgomery	St. John's	H. Stringfellow	Joel White, R. F. Michel	B. L. Wyman	B. L. Wyman	43	210	10	30	230	1,000	25	40	1,01
44	Opelika	Emanuel		Jas. Clayton, J. L. Cowan	A. B. Bennett	H. L. Baudy	44	12	1	...	11	49	5	...	4
45	Oxford						46	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
46	Prattville	St. Mark's	J. F. Smith	T. W. Smith, T. C. Smith	Thos. W. Smith	T. M. Smith	46	13	...	...	13	55	...	...	5
47	Piedmont	Christ Church	W. T. Allen	Alex McCollister	J. K. Dailey	J. K. Dailey	47	5	...	5	10	21	1	28	4
48	Pushmataha	Calvary Church					38	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
49	Selma	St. Paul's	R. W. Barnwell	N. H. R. Dawson, Wm. Berg	Geo. A. Wilkins	E. P. Galt	49	104	...	3	107	440	8	15	44
50	Scottsboro	St. Luke's					50	25	..	...	25	64	...	...	6
51	Sheffield	Grace Church	De B. Waddell	R. C. Randolph, H. F. Jones	R. C. Randolph	W. H. Ruffin	51	20	3	7	24	120	4	4	12
52	Spring Hill	St. Paul's	The Bishop		Richard Jones	R. Jones	52	12	1	...	11	60	7	...	3
53	Talladega	St. Peter's	J. F. Smith	Frank Gerrish, J. S. Laverty	J. S. Graves	F. Gerrish	53	30	...	4	34	175	15	...	10
54	Tilden	Grace Church	F. B. Lee	J. B. Lang, J. Boykin	J. B. Lang		54	12	...	2	14	52	1	8	5
55	Trinity St'n	Grace Church		D. L. Minor	G. G. Roop	E. G. Roop	55	11	1	...	10	54	3	1	5
56	Tuscumbia	St. John's		D. Hicks, B. Cooper	Miss Newsom	Miss Newsom	56	29	...	1	30	107	...	2	10
57	Tuskaloosa	Christ Church	C. Trotman	J. H. Fitts, Alonzo Hill	R. Cochran	H. A. Jones	57	71	2	4	73	365	8	...	35
58	Troy	St. Mark's	H. A. Skinner				58	8	...	2	10	33	...	...	3
59	Union Sp'gs	Trinity	H. A. Skinner				59	11	4	...	7	64	...	...	3
60	Uniontown	Holy Cross	J. F. John	Edwin Shield, J. M. Langhorne	Wm. Mumford	J. H. Davidson	60	28	1	1	28	122	3	4	12
61	Whistler	St. Paul's	Percy W. Jones	W. Sawyer, M. D., W. J. Jolley	Alfred J. Cox		61	25	...	6	31	99	...	...	...
62	Woodlawn	Calvary Church	J. A. Van Hoose		Jno. Sutcliffe		62	18	1	...	17	40	...	...	5
63	Mt. Meigs		W. C. Whitaker				63	...	...	...	9	...	...	...	4
								2531	129	311	2722	10,309	489	980	11,15

STATISTICAL SUMMARY.—Continued.

Number.	Locality and Parishes.	Communicants.																		Parish Institutions.										
		Number Reported Last Year.	Loss.				Gain.				Present No. of Persons Legally Entitled to Commune	Analysis of Communicants.									Sunday Schools.			Mis'n Schools.			Day Schools.			Guilds.	
			By Death.	By Removal.	Dropped.	Total Loss.	By Confirmation.	By Admis'n.	Remov'l into Parish	Total Gain.		Male.	Female.	Adults.	Minors.	Colored.	Relat'n to this List: No. who seldom Com'n.	No. who never Comm'ne.	Doubtful.	Regular Communicants.	Number.	Teachers.	Other Offic's.	Pupils.	No. Schools.	Teachers.	Pupils.	No. Schools.	Teachers.	Pupils.	No. Societies.	Number of Members.
1	Anniston, Grace Church	300	3	79	..	82	21	...	22	43	261	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	..	...	1	8	3	70	..	..	...	2	9	200	2	62
2	Anniston, St. Michael's	...	..	...	..	...	16	...	9	25	95	38	57	75	20	..	...	...	9	86	2	14	4	156	..	..	...	1	1	25	4	77
3	Athens, St. Timothy	26	..	1	..	1	2	...	2	4	29	6	23	25	4	..	...	...	..	...	3	6	3	34	..	..	...	..	..	...	..	...
4	Auburn, Holy Innocents	35	..	1	..	1	11	...	8	19	53	22	31	26	27	..	12	4	2	35	4	2	..	35	..	..	...	..	..	...	1	16
5	Avondale, Christ Church	15	..	...	5	5	7	...	1	8	18	10	8	...	...	..	...	...	..	...	5	6	1	20	..	..	...	..	..	...	2	22
6	Bessemer, Trinity	36	..	...	..	...	17	23	...	40	76	19	57	66	10	..	4	...	..	72	6	4	4	25	..	..	...	..	..	...	1	12
7	Birmingham, Advent	490	10	51	3	64	54	40	...	94	520	165	355	...	...	1	...	...	..	...	7	14	3	158	1	3	45	..	..	...	2	119
8	Birmingham, St. Mary's	174	..	...	..	..	...	...	...	...	174	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	..	...	8	...	..	...	..	..	...	..	..	...	..	...
9	Brierfield	...	..	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	18	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	..	...	9	5	..	48	..	..	...	..	..	...	..	...
10	Boligee, St. Mark's	...	1	...	..	1	1	...	...	1	14	...	...	...	...	..	2	..	..	12	10	...	..	...	..	..	...	..	..	...	1	...
11	Bon Secour, St. Peter's	22	..	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	22	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	..	...	11	...	..	...	..	..	...	..	..	...	..	...
12	Carlowville, St. Paul's	69	..	10	..	10	..	...	...	...	59	15	44	53	6	..	2	2	..	55	12	...	..	...	..	..	...	..	..	...	..	...
13	Clayton, Grace	23	..	...	..	9	...	...	..	3	17	6	11	...	...	..	...	...	..	...	13	2	.	9	..	..	...	..	..	...	1	3
14	Coalburg	...	..	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	..	...	14	...	..	...	..	..	...	..	..	...	..	...
15	Columbia, St. Paul's	6	..	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	6	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	..	...	15	...	..	...	..	..	...	..	..	...	..	...
16	Citronelle	...	..	...	..	...	...	...	...	10	10	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	..	10	16	...	..	...	..	..	...	..	..	...	..	...
17	Decatur, St. Paul's	89	7	16	..	23	5	2	3	10	76	29	47	74	2	..	6	...	..	70	17	3	3	36	..	..	...	..	..	...	1	15
18	Demopolis, Trinity	108	1	...	..	1	17	...	...	17	124	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	..	...	18	9	3	72	..	..	...	..	..	...	4	80
19	Eufaula, St. James'	93	..	6	..	6	10	...	6	16	103	36	67	95	8	..	5	4	2	92	19	6	2	50	..	..	...	..	..	...	1	7
20	Eutaw, St. Stephen's	46	..	...	..	..	14	6	3	23	69	...	...	...	...	..	7	...	..	62	20	7	3	40	..	..	...	..	..	...	2	50
21	Evergreen, St. Mary's	23	1	...	..	1	...	...	..	...	22	6	16	4	18	..	..	2	4	16	21	4	..	15	..	..	...	..	..	...	..	...
22	Faunsdale, St. Michael's	49	..	...	..	..	...	..	...	...	49	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	..	...	22	...	..	...	..	..	...	..	..	...	..	...
23	Florence, Trinity	71	..	...	..	...	...	...	...	29	100	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	..	...	23	...	..	00	..	..	...	..	..	...	1	...
24	Forkland, St. John's	19	..	1	..	1	1	..	...	1	19	6	13	19	...	..	13	9	..	6	24	3	2	22	..	..	...	..	..	...	..	...
25	Gadsden, Holy Comforter	23	..	...	..	...	4	21	...	25	48	21	27	43	5	1	...	...	..	48	25	5	2	18	..	..	...	..	..	...	1	10
26	Gainesville, St. Alban's	...	..	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	..	...	26	...	..	...	..	..	...	..	..	...	..	...

27	Gallion, St. Andrew's				9									2	1	1	1	1				27	9	52			61
28	Greensboro, St. Paul's	1	2	3	11	2	3	9	109					17	6	11	3	14		2	2	28	94	40		135	269
29	Greenville, St. Thomas'		3	3	24	1		3	48		2	6	5									29	48	52	92		192
30	Hayneville, St. Andrew's	2	5	7	6			1	12					5	3	2	3	2		2	2	30	12		6		18
31	Huntsville, Nativity	5	21	26	16	4	11	12	96	28		12	7	14	7	7	8	6		3	3	31	104	52	125		229
32	Jacksonville, St. Luke's		2	2	18		1	1	40			5		2							1	32	33	45	41		119
33	Livingston, St. James'		2	2	1	10		3						3		3						33	20	52			72
34	Lowndesboro, St. Paul's				6									1		1	1					34	12	52	2		66
35	Marion, St. Wilfrid's		1	1	5	3	1							4								35	60	52			112
36	Martins Station, St. Luke's																					36					
37	Mobile, Christ Church		12	12	64	4	16	24	69	21	41	38	63	37	14	23	17	20		8	8	37	105	43	101	32	281
38	Mobile, Good Shepherd	6	8	14	81	2	3	4						10					10	6	3	38	105	52	226		383
39	Mobile, St. John's	8	66	74	73	14	27	60	112	28		16	41	44	18	26	23	21		17	11	39	146	52	77	16	291
40	Mobile, Trinity	4	22	26	12		8	18	50	15		5	30	18	8	10	8	10				40	85	52	50	8	195
41	Montevallo													1								41	10	4	2		16
42	Montgomery, Holy Comforter	2	7	9	22	2	4		51	10	5	5	15	24	6	18	11	13		1	6	42	91	52	75		223
43	Montgomery, St. John's	4	16	20	66	16	7	10						76	23	53	55	21		24	18	43	156	52	162	26	396
44	Opelika, Emanuel	1		1			1	2					2	2	1	1	1	1				44					
45	Oxford																					45					
46	Prattville, St. Mark's				3		1															46	20	10			30
47	Piedmont, Christ Church	5	1	6	6				21				4	2	1	1		2				47	21	44			65
48	Pushmataha, Calvary Church																					48					
49	Selma, St. Paul's	1	15	16	17	6	3	6	93	39		49	16	11	3	8	4	7		1	1	49	45	49	86		180
50	Scottsboro, St. Luke's																					50					
51	Sheffield, Grace Church		2	2	24	1	1	3	120	50	50			4	1	3	2	2				51	80	52	50	6	188
52	Spring Hill, St. Paul's				3	1	1	1	6	40												52	46	46			92
53	Talladega, St. Peter's		3	3	20		1	2	45	20	5		8	1								53	46	50	15		111
54	Tilden, Grace Church				9	1		2	22													54	23				23
55	Trinity Station, Grace Church				3				26	6	10		3									55	26	48	2		76
56	Tuscumbia, St. John's		2	2	22			4	50	25	52			2								56	50	48	77		175
57	Tuskaloosa, Christ Church	3	19	22	6		2	3	50	7		3	12	20	10	10	6	14		5	2	57	104	52	97		[illegible]
58	Troy, St. Mark's		1	1	12		1		26					2								58	25	50	4		7[illegible]
59	Union Springs, Trinity	1	1	2	20			1	40					6						2		59	38	45	2		85
60	Uniontown, Holy Cross		1	1	6			3	12				3	3	2	1	3			1	2	60	40	50	2		9[illegible]
61	Whistler, St. Paul's	1	10	11	3		1		49					11								61	54	51			105
62	Woodlawn, Calvary Church		2	2	2				50					2						2	1	62	48	45	2		95
63	Mt. Meigs	1		1	2				9		1	2		10						2	3	63	8		1		9
		92	342	434	872	85	143	228	1,650	407	243	268	268	536	171	295	233	218	10	120	85		2,525	2,070	1,746	299	[illegible],496

STATISTICAL SUMMARY.—Continued.

Number.	Locality and Parishes.	Ministerial Offices. Baptisms. Adults.	Baptisms. Infants.	Baptisms. Totals.	Holy Com'n. Public.	Holy Com'n. Private.	Marriages.	Burials.	Sermons.	Lectures.	Brief Addresses.	Instructions to Classes by Rector	No. Meetings attended Officially.	Episcopal Acts. No. of Persons Confirmed.	Analysis of Confirmees. Male.	Female.	Adults.	Minors.	Colored.	From other Religious Bodies.	Heads of Families.	Number.	Public Services. SUNDAYS. Public Services on Sundays.	No. of Sessions of Sunday and Mission Schools.	WEEK-DAYS. Public Services Holy Days, Lent, Ember Roga'n etc	No. Sessions Classes not Connected with Sunday Sch.	Aggregate of all Services for Worship, or Instruction.
1	Anniston, Grace Church	1	9	10	23		5	8						23	9	14	15	8		14	7	1	90				
2	Anniston, St. Michael's	9	20	29	25	1	3	4	31	35	6	43	5	16	8	8	3	13				2	45	52	64	20	181
3	Athens, St. Timothy				3				26		10			2	2						1	3	26	52	6		84
4	Auburn, Holy Innocents				6				30	13	3	18	12	11	9	2	4	5		1	2	4	60	20	16		96
5	Avondale, Christ Church	1	3	4	3			2	47					7						7	2	5	47	50	3		100
6	Bessemer, Trinity	9	3	12	8		4	1	25	21		5	5	17	5	12	13	4		5	3	6	42	21	41	5	109
7	Birmingham, Advent	13	34	47	64	15	20	20						54	14	40	25	29		12	4	7					
8	Birmingham, St. Mary's																					8					
9	Brierfield	2	2	4	5		1		12					9								9	12	52	1		65
10	Boligee, St. Mark's							2						1								10	10	52			62
11	Bon Secour, St. Peter's	2	8	10	1		1		11													11	12	11	1		24
12	Carlowville, St. Paul's		1	1	12		3	3	25				3	2		2		2				12	51		54		105
13	Clayton, Grace	1	2	3				1	19					2						1	1	13	7	52	22		81
14	Coalburg																					14					
15	Columbia, St. Paul's																					15					
16	Citronelle								7													16	7				7
17	Decatur, St. Paul's	2	4	6	10		2	8	26	4	12	4	20	5		5	4	1				17	26	52	14	4	96
18	Demopolis, Trinity	2	17	19	25		3	2	42				4	17	5	12	13	4				18	92	51	89		232
19	Eufaula, St. James'	2	5	7	68		4	1	88	42	46	42	6	10	5	5	4	6		3	2	19	124	55	65	42	286
20	Eutaw, St. Stephen's	1	4	5	14		1	2						14	7	7	5	9				20	44	52	72		168
21	Evergreen, St. Mary's		2	2	6		1	1	24													21	12	52			64
22	Faunsdale, St. Michael's																					22					
23	Florence, Trinity	1	2	3	7		2	1						7	2	5						23					
24	Forkland, St. John's				11				15	6		12		1		1						24	22	50	1		73
25	Gadsden, Holy Comforter	1	2	3	9	2			16				4	4	1	3	1	3		1		25	30	52			82
26	Gainesville, St. Albans'																					26					

27	Gallion, St. Andrew's			219 00	20 00							37 50	276 50	27
28	Greensboro, St. Paul's			5258 14	70 00		00			241 29			5549 43	28
29	Greenville, St. Thomas'			482 50	25 00	30 00	20 00			20 00			557 50	29
30	Hayneville, St. Andrew's			172 75									172 75	30
31	Huntsville, Nativity		1770 85		139 45	334 31	00			400 38		505 55	3150 49	31
32	Jacksonville. St. Luke's			251 75		79 96	63 55			47 61		28 79	471 66	32
33	Livingston, St. James'						00							33
34	Lowndesboro, St. Paul's			170 75									170 75	34
35	Marion, St. Wilfrid's													35
36	Martin's Station, St. Luke's													36
37	Mobile, Christ Church	569 87	5200 00	277 50	292 85	1585 39	2840 22	538 00	545 00	235 00	418 15		12501 98	37
38	Mobile, Good Shepherd					235 94		25 00				5 00	265 94	38
39	Mobile, St. John's	757 84		1890 20	110 40	840 53	1101 23		43 00	346 29			5090 00	39
40	Mobile, Trinity	148 60		2688 70	120 58	85 25	1027 01	1218 91		177 00		168 25	5634 29	40
41	Montevallo				99 00								99 00	41
42	Montgomery, Holy Comforter			853 75	23 95	304 18	1006 94			118 00	75 00		2381 82	42
43	Montgomery, St. John's		4251 06		591 30	341 66	863 98	100 00	1168 60	600 00		361 15	8277 75	43
44	Opelika, Emanuel			345 48	9 15	25 07	00						379 70	44
46	Oxford													45
46	Prattville, St. Mark's													46
47	Piedmont, Christ Church			91 00	10 74	30 45	136 84			16 88			285 91	47
38	Pushmataha, Calvary Church													48
49	Selma, St. Paul's	14 94		2983 08			333 99		5600 00	233 83	1350 00		10515 84	49
50	Scottsboro, St. Luke's													50
51	Sheffield, Grace Church			381 15	159 00		265 00	128 00		25 00	37 51	50 00	1036 66	51
52	Spring Hill, St. Paul's	52 54		123 25		131 37							307 16	52
53	Talladega, St. Peter's	16 72		400 00	20 00		42 92			50 00		100 66	630 30	53
54	Tilden, Grace Church			89 00	9 10	18 50		100 00					216 60	54
55	Trinity Station, Grace Church			105 50		5 00	00			110 50				55
56	Tuscumbia, St. John's			400 00	122 77	22 60		25 00	282 50	318 00		24 83	915 70	56
57	Tuskaloosa, Christ Church	80 00		2705 04	43 96	154 72	569 51	1500 00		188 00	300 00	573 51	6114 74	57
58	Troy, St. Mark's			136 40	16 91	6 42						11 82	171 55	58
59	Union Springs, Trinity			100 77	17 28	15 65							133 70	59
60	Uniontown, Holy Cross			250 00		15 00	45 00			35 00		45 00	390 00	60
61	Whistler, St. Paul's			432 49		74 56		17 00					524 05	61
62	Woodlawn, Calvary Church						00	100 00	200 00	15 00		350 00	665 00	62
63	Mt. Meigs			45 00				700 00					745 00	63
		$2245 57	$11221 91	$35655 52	$2507 69	$7094 57	$10323 69	$18384 31	$8003 70	$3803 68	$2680 66	$11168 09	$111080 22	

FINANCIAL SUMMARY.

Number.	Locality and Parishes.	SOURCES OF INCOME. Balance Brought over from Last Year.	Pew Rents.	Subscriptions.	Communion Alms.	Offerings other than Communion Alms.	Guilds and Societies.	Gifts in Money.	Value of other Gifts.	Sunday-School Offerings.	Borrowed.	All Other Sources.	Total Income of the Parish.	Number.
1	Anniston, Grace Church	$	$	$ 2164 89	$ 116 76	$ 689 48	$ 529 81	$ 130 00	$	$ 97 57	$	$ 938 51	$ 5167 02	1
2	Anniston, St. Michael's			2065 68	16 94	526 61	131 30	11000 00		100 05			13840 58	2
3	Athens, St. Timothy			95 00		19 45				41 17			155 62	3
4	Auburn, Holy Innocents	28 19		297 86	19 25	71 99	00			00		5 20	422 49	4
5	Avondale, Christ Church			362 50		100 00	00			40 00		400 00	902 50	5
6	Bessemer, Trinity	216 08		542 59	90 40	189 34	45 00			00			1083 41	6
7	Birmingham, Advent			4611 98	50 00	146 83	490 84			109 02		6795 82	12204 49	7
8	Birmingham, St. Mary's													8
9	Brierfield			140 60	5 00					00			145 60	9
10	Boligee, St. Mark's						00							10
11	Bon Secour, St. Peter's			150 97		13 70		46 00					210 67	11
12	Carlowville, St. Paul's			290 00	66 66	37 50		137 00				200 00		12
13	Clayton, Grace				9 91	31 50	00	29 38		1 35		17 50	89 04	13
14	Coalburg													14
15	Columbia, St. Paul's													15
16	Citronelle			188 37		32 00							220 37	16
17	Decatur, St. Paul's			586 08	4 61	89 59	29 10	455 02		28 64	500 00	325 00	2018 04	17
18	Demopolis, Trinity			850 00	104 00	201 75	292 30	160 00		62 86			1670 91	18
19	Eufaula, St. James'	360 78		1062 85	30 00	458 57	69 05	680 00	134 60	14 65		57 00	2867 50	19
20	Eutaw, St. Stephen's			350 00	39 65	56 25	348 55	1250 00		112 58			919 53	20
21	Evergreen, St. Mary's			218 75						00			218 75	21
22	Faunsdale, St. Michael's													22
23	Florence, Trinity,			436 00	33 17	93 45	30 55	10 00		11 98			615 15	23
24	Forkland, St. John's			88 20	19 90					00			108 10	24
25	Gadsden, Holy Comforter			300 00			41 00	35 00	30 00	6 08		167 00	579 08	25
26	Gainesville, St. Albans'													26

27	Gallion, St. Andrew's					87 50	39 00		10 00	10 00		96 50	27
28	Greensboro, St. Paul's	300 00	27 00		327 00	225 00	316 75	46 00	20 00	10 00		617 75	28
29	Greenville, St. Thomas'					87 50	20 00	50 00				107 50	29
30	Hayneville, St. Andrew's					18 75	4 00					22 75	30
31	Huntsville, Nativity	27 91	13 54		41 45	375 00				16 41		391 41	31
32	Jacksonville, St. Luke's	19 90				31 25	61 27					92 52	32
33	Livingston, St. James'												33
34	Lowndesboro, St. Paul's					15 75	5 00					20 75	34
35	Marion, St. Wilfrid's												35
36	Martin's Station, St. Luke's												36
37	Mobile, Christ Church	30 00	25 56		55 56	562 50	257 73	797 50	30 15	17 80		1665 68	37
38	Mobile, Good Shepherd	68 35			68 35	25 00						25 00	38
39	Mobile, St. John's					225 00	66 90	308 60				600 50	39
40	Mobile, Trinity	20 00	10 00		30 00	312 50	168 25	302 00				782 75	40
41	Montevallo					15 00	9 00					24 00	41
42	Montgomery, Holy Comforter	1 10		24 00	25 10	75 00	135 55					210 55	42
43	Montgomery, St. John's	80 00	20 00		100 00	562 50	501 50	106 19		58 30		1228 49	43
44	Opelika, Emanuel					20 00	8 04					28 04	44
45	Oxford												45
46	Prattville, St. Mark's												46
47	Piedmont, Christ Church					15 00	33 25				5 00	53 25	47
48	Pushmataha, Calvary Church												48
49	Selma, St. Paul's					350 00	73 40			36 40		459 80	49
50	Scottsboro, St. Luke's												50
51	Sheffield, Grace Church					52 50	16 85					69 35	51
52	Spring Hill, St. Paul's					5 00						5 00	52
53	Talladega, St. Peter's	10 00			10 00	31 25	18 40			5 00		54 65	53
54	Tilden, Grace Church					12 50						12 50	54
55	Trinity Station, Grace Church	5 00			5 00	12 00	10 00					22 00	55
56	Tuscumbia, St. John's	11 50	2 00		13 50	18 75	80 00	105 55				209 30	56
57	Tuskaloosa, Christ Church	9 25	7 65		16 90	225 00	186 24			12 10		423 34	57
58	Troy, St. Mark's	6 42		2 70	9 12		9 12					9 12	58
59	Union Springs, Trinity	15 65			15 65								59
60	Uniontown, Holy Cross					45 00						45 00	60
61	Whistler, St. Paul's						7 75					7 75	61
62	Woodlawn, Calvary Church												62
63	Mt. Meigs												63
		$664 09	$156 52	$67 15	$922 11	$4462 82	$2962 99	$1802 74	$112 43	$239 64	$85 16	$9669 28	

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Number.	Locality and Parishes.	Expended for General Purposes.				Expended for Diocesan Purposes.							Number.
		Foreign and Domestic Missions.	Jewish Missions.	Other General Objects.	Total General.	Diocesan Assessment.	Diocesan Missions.	Church Home.	University of the South.	Disabled Clergy and Widows' and Orphans' Fund.	Other Diocesan Objects.	Total Diocesan.	
1	Anniston, Grace Church	$ 7 11	$ 9 84	$	$ 16 95	$ 225 00	$ 500 00	$	$	$	$	$ 725 00	1
2	Anniston, St. Michael's		9 00		9 00		23 28	34 10	9 28			66 66	2
3	Athens, St. Timothy	5 00			5 00	15 00	2 50					17 50	3
4	Auburn, Holy Innocents	3 70			3 70	30 00	20 47				2 00	52 47	4
5	Avondale, Christ Church					12 50						12 50	5
6	Bessemer, Trinity					31 25	19 10					50 35	6
7	Birmingham, Advent	9 80	15 75	30 75	56 30	375 00	52 53		8 00	30 00	78 16	543 69	7
8	Birmingham, St. Mary's												8
9	Brierfield					15 00	5 60					20 60	9
10	Boligee, St. Mark's												10
11	Bon Secour, St. Peter's					12 50						12 50	11
12	Carlowville, St. Paul's	10 00	4 00		14 00	37 50	137 00		10 00	15 40		199 90	12
13	Clayton, Grace					15 00						15 00	13
14	Coalburg												14
15	Columbia, St. Paul's												15
16	Citronelle												16
17	Decatur, St. Paul's	7 70	4 27		11 97	62 50	28 85					91 35	17
18	Demopolis, Trinity	4 95	4 26	7 65	16 86	133 00	75 76	14 65	25 00	20 00		268 41	18
19	Eufaula, St. James'	5 00	3 65	2 05	10 70	75 00	30 15	11 95		8 23		125 33	19
20	Eutaw, St. Stephen's					31 25	23 55	12 50				67 30	20
21	Evergreen, St. Mary's					18 75						18 75	21
22	Faunsdale, St. Michael's												22
23	Florence, Trinity					32 82	15 20	13 70				61 72	23
24	Forkland, St. John's					12 50						12 50	24
25	Gadsden, Holy Comforter	5 75				22 50						22 50	25
26	Gainesville, St. Alban's												26

27	Gallion, St. Andrew's	110 00		70 00											[illegible]	[illegible]	27
28	Greensboro, St. Paul's	1219 95	52 25	2971 87	24 00	9 52			200 00					126 29	4604 68		28
29	Greenville, St. Thomas'	450 00				20 00									470 00		29
30	Hayneville, St. Andrew's	150 00													150 00		30
31	Huntsville, Nativity	1800 00	569 83	34 75	139 45	20 00	45 00			100 00				8 60	2717 63		31
32	Jacksonville, St. Luke's	300 00	44 24							15 00					359 24		32
33	Livingston, St. James'																33
34	Lowndesboro, St. Paul's	150 00													150 00		34
35	Marion, St. Wilfrid's																35
36	Martins Station, St. Luke's																36
37	Mobile, Christ Church	3000 00	1975 00	1643 11	947 88	367 65	10 00		315 20	545 00	1355 39			347 21	10506 36		37
38	Mobile, Good Shepherd		162 59											10 00	172 59		38
39	Mobile, St. John's	2000 00	685 38	208 11	327 75	448 67	10 00		139 60	57 06	163 75			449 18	4489 50		39
40	Mobile, Trinity	1600 00	857 00	15 00	315 58	76 00	25 00				1749 53			183 43	4821 54		40
41	Montevallo	75 00													75 00		41
42	Montgomery, Holy Comforter	943 65	248 03	40 00	23 95	18 00					641 10			30 16	1941 39		42
43	Montgomery, St. John's	2500 00	1751 06		329 60	100 00				1168 60				500 00	6349 26		43
44	Opelika, Emanuel	300 00					28 84							22 82	351 66		44
45	Oxford																45
46	Prattville, St. Mark's																46
47	Piedmont, Christ Church	93 10	14 90	101 70		6 35								16 61	232 66		47
48	Pushmataha, Calvary Church																48
49	Selma, St. Paul's	1933 20	952 18	194 75	166 00	233 83			5600 00					51 08	9131 04		49
50	Scottsboro, St. Luke's																50
51	Sheffield, Grace Church	478 31	200 00		60 00	35 00	20 00							31 18	824 31		51
52	Spring Hill, St. Paul's		33 02	159 80	1 00	19 00			37 40					36 94	287 16		52
53	Talladega, St. Peter's	213 75	62 70	91 20		12 00									379 65		53
54	Tilden, Grace Church	89 00	9 20	100 00										5 90	204 10		54
55	Trinity Station, Grace Church	72 50	6 00		5 00										83 50		55
56	Tuscumbia, St. John's	400 00	87 90	200 00		5 00									692 90		56
57	Tuskaloosa, Christ Church	1131 00	376 24	332 75		188 00	74 50		1800 00					572 01	5474 50		57
58	Troy, St. Mark's	153 31													153 31		58
59	Union Springs, Trinity	100 70												17 28	118 05		59
60	Uniontown, Holy Cross	200 00	50 00	10 00		12 50			27 50					45 00	345 00		60
61	Whistler, St. Paul's	300 00	70 00						110 00	17 00				19 30	516 30		61
62	Woodlawn, Calvary Church		30 00	385 00						200 00				50 00	665 00		62
63	Mt. Meigs	45 00									700 00				745 00		63
		$29620 81	$12137 19	$8254 58	$2035 56	$1894 61	$1819 15	$363 52	$20785 63	$2277 36	$4879 53	$6824 79	$427 30	$5436 24	$97736 28		

FINANCIAL SUMMARY.—Continued.

Number.	Locality and Parishes.	EXPENDED FOR PAROCHIAL PURPOSES.														Number.
		Rector's Salary.	Current Expenses.	Repairs and Improvements.	Expended for the Poor.	Expended for the Sunday School.	Traveling Expenses, etc., Repaid.	Missionary Work in the Parish.	Purchases for Church or Rectory.	Money Value of Gifts.	Passed to Credit of Endowment or Trust Fund.	New Buildings, etc.	Other Parochial Purposes.	Cash on Hand.	Total Parochial.	
1	Anniston, Grace Church	$ 2400 00	$ 912 86	$ 230 54	$ 114 30	$ 60 00	$	$336 87	$ 112 50	$	$	$	$258 00	$	$ 4425 07	1
2	Anniston, St. Michael's	499 98	1284 14	27 95	89 30	99 21	283 06	.....	10585 00	.....	.....	415 00	.....	481 28	13764 [illegible]	2
3	Athens, St. Timothy	85 00	22 00	.....	2 50	3 90	19 72	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	133 12	3
4	Auburn, Holy Innocents	306 05	15 78	.....	.....	.....	6 50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	11 18	26 81	366 32	4
5	Avondale, Christ Church	.....	50 00	440 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	400 00	890 00	5
6	Bessemer, Trinity	541 61	436 20	30 00	.....	25 25	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1033 06	6
7	Birmingham, Advent	2000 00	598 86	12 50	50 00	27 04	274 24	.....	264 00	.....	210 90	5729 69	.....	1177 70	10344 93	7
8	Birmingham, St. Mary's	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	8
9	Brierfield	125 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	[illegible]	9
10	Boligee, St. Mark's	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	10
11	Bon Secour, St. Peter's	75 00	.....	60 72	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	48 25	18[illegible]	11
12	Carlowville, St. Paul's	490 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	12 90	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	14 36	[illegible]	12
13	Clayton, Grace	.....	48 41	7 39	.....	.....	18 84	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	[illegible]	13
14	Coalburg	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	14
15	Columbia, St. Paul's	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	15
16	Citronelle	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	13 75	.....	.....	.....	.....	206 62	220 37	16
17	Decatur, St. Paul's	361 00	125 05	152 25	.....	24 21	.....	.....	500 00	10 10	.....	680 10	.....	62 01	[illegible]	17
18	Demopolis, Trinity	700 00	115 65	170 35	32 25	10 00	.....	.....	20 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	337 [illegible]	1585 [illegible]	18
19	Eufaula, St. James'	871 22	179 92	32 09	7 00	20 25	3 45	.....	1074 43	134 60	58 86	.....	158 12	.....	2539 [illegible]	19
20	Eutaw, St. Stephen's	344 65	70 00	325 00	.....	44 25	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	68 33	852 [illegible]	20
21	Evergreen, St. Mary's	200 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	200 [illegible]	21
22	Faunsdale, St. Michael's	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	22
23	Florence, Trinity	446 13	8 90	16 00	.....	6 48	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	75 92	553 [illegible]	23
24	Forkland, St. John's	75 70	19 90	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	95 [illegible]	24
25	Gadsden, Holy Comforter	300 00	12 00	191 75	.....	2 50	.....	.....	.....	30 00	.....	.....	.....	14 58	570 [illegible]	25
26	Gainesville, St. Alban's	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	26

27	Gallion, St. Andrew's								96 50	180 00		276 50	27					
28	Greensboro, St. Paul's							327 00	617 75	4604 68		5549 43	28					
29	Greenville, St. Thomas'								107 50	470 00		577 50	29					
30	Hayneville, St. Andrew's								22 75	150 00		172 75	30					
31	Huntsville, Nativity							41 45	391 41	2717 63		3150 49	31					8 6
32	Jacksonville, St. Luke's							19 90	92 52	359 24		471 66	32					
33	Livingston, St. James'												33					
34	Lowndesboro, St. Paul's								20 75	150 00		170 75	34					
35	Marion, St. Wilfrid's												35					
36	Martin's Station, St. Luke's												36					
37	Mobile, Christ Church		274 38				274 38	55 56	1665 68	10506 36	274 38	12501 98	37		2000 00		347 2	
38	Mobile, Good Shepherd							68 35	25 00	172 59		265 94	38					
39	Mobile, St. John's								600 50	4489 50		5090 00	39				39 4	
40	Mobile, Trinity							30 00	782 75	4821 54		5634 29	40				183 4	
41	Montevallo								24 00	75 00		99 00	41					
42	Montgomery, Holy Comforter		204 78				204 78	25 10	210 55	1941 39	204 78	2381 82	42		10 00	35 07		
43	Montgomery, St. John's		600 00				600 00	100 00	1228 49	6349 26	600 00	8277 75	43					
44	Opelika, Emanuel								28 04	351 66		379 70	44					
46	Oxford												45					
46	Prattville, St. Mark's												46					
47	Piedmont, Christ Church								53 25	232 66		285 91	47		6 50	6 50	1 7	
38	Pushmataha, Calvary Church												48					
49	Selma, St. Paul's		925 00				925 00		459 80	9131 04	925 00	10464 76	49		425 00		51 0	
50	Scottsboro, St. Luke's												50					
51	Sheffield, Grace Church			143 00			143 00		69 35	824 31	143 00	1036 66	51	1180 00	100 00	240 00		
52	Spring Hill, St. Paul's				15 00		15 00		5 00	287 16	15 00	307 16	52				36 9	
53	Talladega, St. Peter's	30 00	50 00	86 00		20 00	186 00	10 00	54 65	379 65	186 00	630 30	53					
54	Tilden, Grace Church								12 50	204 10		216 60	54					
55	Trinity Station, Grace Ch							5 00	22 00	83 50		110 50	55			77 50		
56	Tuscumbia, St. John's							13 50	209 30	692 90		915 70	56					
57	Tuskaloosa, Christ Church		200 00				200 00	16 90	423 34	5474 50	200 00	6114 74	57				572 9	
58	Troy, St. Mark's							9 12	9 12	153 31		171 55	58					
59	Union Springs, Trinity							15 65		118 05		133 70	59					
60	Uniontown, Holy Cross								45 00	345 00		390 00	60				45 0	
61	Whistler, St. Paul's								7 75	516 30		524 05	61				19 3	
62	Woodlawn, Calvary Church									665 00			62				50 0	
63	Mt. Meigs									745 00		745 00	63					
		$30 00	$2054 16	$895 63	$321 20	$616 66	$4017 65	$887 76	$9669 28	$97362 28	$4017 65	$110265 80		$2180 00	$2655 89	$556 60	$21 31 0	

FINANCIAL SUMMARY.—Continued.

Number.	Locality and Parishes.	Expended for Arrearages. Interest on Parochial Debt.	Payment on Principal.	Arrearages Paid to Rector.	Arrearages Paid to Diocese.	Other Arrearages.	Total Payments on Debt.	Restatement of Totals. Total General.	Total Diocesan.	Total Parochial.	Total Debt.	Grand Aggregate of Expenditures to Balance Income.	Number.	Present Condition. Mortgage Debt.	Floating Debt.	Salaries and Assessments Unpaid and Due.	Cash in Hands of Treasurer.
1	Anniston, Grace Church	$	$	$	$	$	$	$ 16 95	$ 725 00	$ 4425 07	$	$ 5167 02	1	$	$	$	$
2	Anniston, St. Michael's							9 00	66 66	13764 92		13840 58	2				
3	Athens, St. Timothy							5 00	17 50	133 12		155 62	3		35 00	68 75	
4	Auburn, Holy Innocents							3 70	52 47	366 32		422 49	4				26 81
5	Avondale, Christ Church								12 50	890 00		902 50	5				400 00
6	Bessemer, Trinity								50 35	1033 06		1083 41	6				
7	Birmingham, Advent			366 00	300 00	593 57	1259 57	56 30	543 69	10344 93	1259 57	12204 49	7				56 99
8	Birmingham, St. Mary's												8				
9	Brierfield								20 60	125 00		145 60	9				
10	Boligee, St. Mark's												10				
11	Bon Secour, St. Peter's			9 00	6 20		15 20		12 50	183 97	15 20	210 67	11				48 25
12	Carlowville, St. Paul's							14 00	199 90	517 26		731 16	12				
13	Clayton, Grace					3 09	3 09		15 00	74 64	3 09	92 73	13		3 09		
14	Coalburg												14				
15	Columbia, St. Paul's												15				
16	Citronelle									220 37		220 37	16				206 69
17	Decatur, St. Paul's							11 97	91 35	1914 72		2018 04	17				62 01
18	Demopolis, Trinity							16 86	268 41	1385 64		1670 91	18				
19	Eufaula, St. James'			191 63			191 63	10 70	125 33	2539 84	191 63	2867 50	19		76 30	128 78	
20	Eutaw, St. Stephen's								67 30	852 23		919 53	20				
21	Evergreen, St. Mary's								18 75	200 00		218 75	21				
22	Faunsdale, St. Michael's												22				
23	Florence, Trinity								61 72	553 43		615 15	23				25 00
24	Forkland, St. John's								12 50	95 60		108 10	24				
25	Gadsden, Holy Comforter							5 75	22 50	550 83		579 08	25	1000 00			
26	Gainesville, St. Alban's												26				

27	Gallion, St. Andrew's					1200 00					200	1400	27		Vestry	
28	Greensboro, St. Paul's					12400 00		1800				14200	28	1844	Vestry	184
29	Greenville, St. Thomas'				2500 00	2000 00		3000			150	5150	29			
30	Hayneville, St. Andrew's		65 00			2000 00					500	2500	30			
31	Huntsville, Nativity	600 00	1500 00			33000 00	10000				1700	44700	31			184
32	Jacksonville, St. Luke's					2500 00				1500		4000	32			
33	Livingston, St. James'												33			
34	Lowndesboro, St. Paul's					3000 00		500			350	3850	34	Don't know	Dont Know	
35	Marion, St. Wilfrid's					2000 00		700			400	3100	35			
36	Martin's Sta'n, St. Luke's					1200 00						1200	36			
37	Mobile, Christ Church	645 52	709 87	2500 00	24000 00	45000 00		5000	10000	2000	12500	74500	37	1835	Rector, Wardens & Vestry	182
38	Mobile, Good Shepherd											10000	38			
39	Mobile, St. John's	409 71	1287 00	200 00	6250 00	5000 00		2500			2000	9500	39	1884	Trustees	185
40	Mobile, Trinity	1500 00	1310 00	150 00	9000 00	25000 00				1500	6000	32500	40	Yes	Vestry	
41	Montevallo					600 00						600	41			
42	Montg'my, Holy Comfter	22 00	641 10		3500 00	2500 00				1000	1200	4700	42	No	Trustees	188
43	Montgomery, St. John's		500 00			40000 00	7000	8000			3000	58000	43	Yes		183
44	Opelika, Emanuel					4500 00				1500		6000	44		Bishop	
45	Oxford												45			
46	Prattville, St. Mark's												46			
47	Piedmont, Christ Church	4 35	10 53	13 00		1200 00				2500	80	3780	47		Bishop and Standing Com.	187
48	Pushmataha, Calvary Ch												48			
49	Selma, St. Paul's				12000 00	30000 00		5000			10500	45500	49	1858	Wardens and Vestry	183
50	Scottsboro, St. Luke's												50			
51	Sheffield, Grace Church			969 25	1250 00	3600 00					300	3900	51	1887	Trustees	188
52	Spring Hill, St. Paul's					3000 00							52			
53	Talladega, St. Peter's				1100 00	3000 00					350	3350	53			
54	Tilden, Grace Church					800 00					200	1000	54			185
55	Trinity Station, Grace Ch	3 75				1000 00					50	1050	55	No		
56	Tuscumbia, St. John's					2500 00		5000			75	7575	56	No	Diocese	
57	Tuskaloosa, Christ Ch.				6250 00	12000 00		4000				16000	57	No	Diocese	182
58	Troy, St. Mark's												58			
59	Union Springs, Trinity					1000 00		1500				2500	59			
60	Uniontown, Holy Cross				1000 00								60	Don't know	Trustees	
61	Whistler, St. Paul's					1500 00						1500	61			
62	Woodlawn, Calvary Ch.				500 00	1425 00					225	1650	62		Diocese	
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		$4232 18	$31059 20	$4045 03	$123725 00	$407825 00	$29000	$73550	$53350	$66355	$45590	$672670				

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55	Trinity Station, Grace Ch	3 75				1000 00					50	1050	55	No		
56	Tuscumbia, St. John's					2500 00		5000			75	7575	56	No	Diocese	
57	Tuskaloosa, Christ Ch.				6250 00	12000 00		4000				16000	57	No	Diocese	18
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Board of Visitors to the Noble Institute, The Alabama Diocesan School for Girls:

Rev. H. Stringfellow, D. D.,
" R. W. Barnwell,
Mr. J. L. Cobbs, Mr. Milton Humes,
Rev. R. H. Cobbs, D. D.,
Mr. Alonzo Hill,
" R. H. Pearson.

Candidates for Priests' Orders.

N. Dunham Van Syckel,.....Gen'l Theol. Sem'y.
Rev. Orville M. Yerger, Deacon,.....Auburn, Ala.
" T. Alex. Payne, Deacon,.....Eutaw, Ala.

Candidates for Deacons' Orders.

J. J. D. Hall,.....Anniston, Ala.
Wm. F. Bellinger,.....Birmingham, Ala.
Percy Wellington Campbell,.....Anniston, Ala.
Bertram E. Brown,.....University of the South.

Postulants.

Louis Tucker;.....University of the South.
Richard Cullen Jeter,.....Opelika.

Examiners.

Rev. H. Stringfellow, D. D.,
" R. H. Cobbs, D. D.,
" J. L. Tucker, D. D.,
" J. M. Banister, D. D.,
Rev. R. W. Barnwell,
" Thos. J. Beard,
" W. A. Stickney,
" Philip A. Fitts.

Lay Readers.

Richard Jones, Spring Hill,
Ed. L. Stickney, Greensboro,
C. E. Waller, Greensboro,
Joseph Brower, Birmingham,
N. D. Van Syckel, New York,
J. F. Slaughter, Talladega,
Edward T. Peter, Brierfield,
Harry T. Toulmin, Mobile,
H. F. Jones, Sheffield,
Bertram E. Brown, Eufaula,
R. R. Harris, New Decatur,
P. W. Campbell, Anniston,
F. S. Parker, Portersville,
Geo. H. Montgomery, Jacksonville,
R. C. Jeter, Opelika.

N. B.— The Clergy and Vacant Parishes, which desire the services of Lay Readers, must bear in mind that, under the provisions of the Canon, Licenses to Lay readers can only be given for the period of one year, and must be renewed at the expiration of that time.

Deaconesses.

Sister	HARRIET, Chief	Church	Home,	Mobile.
"	REBECCA,	"	"	"
"	ELIZABETH,	"	"	"
"	BELLE,	"	"	"
"	MARY,	"	"	"
"	MARY,	"	"	"

Probationers.

MISS MELANIE JONES, MISS MARY WOODCOCK.

Deans and Convocations.

Convocation of Mobile—REV. G. C. TUCKER, Dean. This Convocation embraces the counties of Mobile and Baldwin.

Convocation of Montgomery—VEN'LE H. STRINGFELLOW, D. D., acting Dean. This Convocation embraces the counties of Montgomery, Conecuh, Butler, Lowndes, Autauga, Lee, Russell, Pike, Bullock and Barbour.

Convocation of Selma—REV. R. H. COBBS, D. D., Dean. This Convocation embraces the counties of Dallas, Perry, Marengo, Hale, Choctaw and part of Greene.

Convocation of Birmingham—REV. T. J. BEARD, Dean. This Convocation embraces the counties of Jefferson, Tuskaloosa, Sumter, part of Greene, St. Clair, Shelby, Bibb, Talladega and Calhoun.

Convocation of Huntsville—REV. J. M. BANISTER, D. D., Dean. This Convocation embraces the counties of Madison, Jackson, Limestone, Morgan, Lawrence, Franklin and Lauderdale.

Parishes and Mission Stations.

Anniston—Grace Church,	Rev. P. A. Fitts.
" —St. Michael and All Angels,	" W. D. Martin.
" —St. Paul's Chapel,	" P. A. Fitts.
Athens—St. Timothy,	" E. W. Spalding, D. D.
Avondale—Mission Chapel,	" Wm. H. Mitchell.
Auburn—Holy Innocents,	" O. M. Yerger.
Brierfield—Mission,	" J. F. Smith.
Bridgeport—Mission,	———
Bon Secour—St. Peter's,	" J. M. Benedict.
Boligee—St. Mark's,	———
Birmingham—Church of the Advent,	" T. J. Beard.
" —St. Mary's in the Highland,	" O. P. Fitzsimmons.
Bessemer—	" Benj. Dennis.
Carlowville—St. Paul's,	" F. B. Lee.
Camden—St. Mary's,	" R. W. Barnwell.
Clayton—Grace Church,	———
Citronelle—Mission,	" J. M. Benedict.
Coalburg—Mission Chapel,	" T. J. Beard.
Columbia—Mission Chapel,	———
Decatur—(Old and New) Churches in charge of,	" E. W. Spalding, D. D.
Demopolis—Trinity,	" J. A. Harrison, D. D.
Eufaula—St. James',	———
Eutaw—St. Stephen's,	" T. A. Payne.
Evergreen—St. Mary's,	" Geo. R. Upton.
Elyton—St. John's	" T. J. Beard.
Faunsdale—St. Michael's,	" J. F. John.
Fort Payne—Mission,	" J. A. Van Hoose.
Forkland—St. John's,	" W. A. Stickney.
Fowl River—Mission Chapel,	" G. C. Tucker.
Florence—Trinity,	———
Gadsden—Holy Comforter,	" J. A. Van Hoose.
Gallion—St. Andrew's,	" R. H. Cobbs, D. D.
Gainesville—St. Alban's,	———
Greensboro—St. Paul's,	" R. H. Cobbs, D. D.
Greenville—St. Thomas',	" Geo. R. Upton.
Hayneville—St. Andrew's,	" Geo. R. Upton.
Huntsville—Church of the Nativity,	" J. M. Banister, D. D.
Jacksonville—St. Luke's,	" Wm. T. Allen.
Jasper—Mission,	" J. A. Van Hoose.
Lowndesboro—St. Paul's,	" Geo, R. Upton.
Livingston—St. James',	" John J. Harris.
Marion—St. Wilfrid's,	" T. Alex. Payne.
Martin's Station—St. Luke's,	———

Montevallo—	Rev. J. F. Smith.
Montgomery—St. John's,	" H. Stringfellow, D.D.
" —Holy Comforter,	" W. C. Whitaker.
Mobile—Christ Church,	" Joseph L.Tucker, D.D.
" —Trinity Church,	" Clarence C. Leman.
" —St. John's,	" Gardiner C. Tucker.
" —Church of Good Shepherd,	" A. W. Pierce.
Mt. Meigs—Mission Chapel,	" W. C. Whitaker.
Opelika—Emanuel Church,	" O. M. Yerger.
Prattville—St. Mark's,	" J. F. Smith.
Piedmont—Christ Church,	" W. T. Allen.
Pushmataha—Calvary Church,	———
Selma—St. Paul's,	" R. W. Barnwell.
Scottsboro—St. Luke's,	" J. M. Banister, D. D.
Spring Hill—St. Paul's,	The Bishop.
Sheffield—Grace Church,	———
Talladega—St. Peter's,	Rev. Wm. T. Allen.
Tilden—Grace Church,	" F. B. Lee.
Trinity, Morgan Co—Grace,	" Thos. Burry.
Tuskaloosa—Christ Church,	" Chas. Trotman.
Troy—St. Mark's,	" H. Stringfellow, D. D.
Tuscumbia—St. John's,	" Thos. Burry.
Uniontown—Church of the Holy Cross,	" J. F. John.
Union Springs—Trinity Church,	———
Whistler—St. Paul's,	" J. M. Benedict.
Woodlawn—Mission Chapel,	" Wm. H. Mitchell.

JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS.

FIRST DAY.

The Sixty-First Annual Council of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Alabama, assembled in Christ Church, Mobile, May 3d, 1892.

The Ante Communion was said at 11 o'clock, and the sermon was preached by the RT. REV. R. H. WILMER, D. D., Bishop of the Diocese, from the text, Psalm 48: verses 12, 13, 14.

"Walk about Zion, and go around about her; tell the towers thereof. Mark ye well her bulwarks, consider her palaces; that ye may tell it to the generation following. For this God is our God forever and ever: He will be our guide even unto death."

The Holy Communion was then celebrated by the Rt. Rev. The Bishop of the Diocese, assisted by the RT. REV. H. M. JACKSON, D. D., and the REV. DR. TUCKER the Rector of the Parish.

Immediately after the service, the Council was called to order by the Rt. Rev. President, who presented the following

LIST OF CLERGY ENTITLED TO SEATS IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DIOCESE OF ALABAMA, MAY 3, 1892.

RT. REV. R. H. WILMER, D. D., LL. D.,
RT. REV. H. M. JACKSON, D. D.,

Rev. W. T. Allen,	Rev. J. M. Banister, D. D.,
" R. W. Barnwell,	" T. J. Beard,
* " J. M. Benedict,	" Thos. Burry,
" R. H. Cobbs, D. D.,	" Thos. A Cook,
" Benj. Dennis,	" P. A. Fitts,
" O. P. Fitzsimmons,	" J. J. Harris,
" J. A. Harrison, D. D.,	" J. F. John,
" F. B. Lee,	* " Clarence C. Leman,
" W. D. Martin,	* " W. H. Mitchell,
" T. A. Payne,	" A. W. Pierce,
" E. W. Spalding, D. D.,	" W. A. Stickney,
" J. F. Smith,	" H. Stringfellow, D. D.,
" Charles Trotman,	" J. L. Tucker, D. D.,
" G. C. Tucker,	" G. R. Upton,
" J. A. Van Hoose,	" W. C. Whitaker,

*Rev. O. M. Yerger.

Names marked * not entitled to vote on account of insufficient length of Canonical residence.

The Secretary of the last Council called the List as thus presented, and the following were found to be present:

Rt. Rev. R. H. Wilmer, D. D., LL. D.,
Rt. Rev. H. M. Jackson, D. D.,

Rev. J. M. Banister, D. D.,
" J. M. Benedict,
" R. H. Cobbs, D. D.,
" P. A. Fitts,
" J. J. Harris,
" Clarence C. Leman,
" E. W. Spalding, D. D.,
" H. Stringfellow, D. D.,
" J. L. Tucker, D. D.,
" W. C. Whitaker,

Rev. T. J. Beard,
" Thos. Burry,
" Benj. Dennis,
" O. P. Fitzsimmons,
" J. F. John,
" T. A. Payne,
" J. F. Smith,
" Chas. Trotman,
" G. C. Tucker,
" O. M. Yerger.

At this point a recess was taken, and after an interval, the Council reassembled and the Treasurer of the Diocese, as required by Canon, presented the following

LIST OF PARISHES ENTITLED TO REPRESENTATION IN THE COUNCIL:

Montgomery, St. John's Parish,
Selma, St. Paul's Parish,
Birmingham, Church of the Advent,
Birmingham, St. Mary's Parish,
Anniston, Grace Church Parish,
Anniston, St. Michael and All Angels,
Demopolis, Trinity Church Parish,
Eufaula, St. James' Parish,
Florence, Trinity Church Parish,
Greenville, St. Thomas' Parish,
Eutaw, St. Stephen's Parish,
Boligee, St. Mark's Parish,
Livingston, St. James' Parish,
Bessemer, Trinity Parish,
Hayneville, St. Andrew's Parish,
Athens, St. Timothy's Parish,
Brierfield, The Brierfield Mission,
Piedmont, Christ Church Parish,
Montevallo, The Montevallo Mission,
Prattville, St. Mark's Parish,
Bon Secour, St. Peter's Parish,
Whistler, St. Paul's Parish,
Spring Hill, St. Paul's Parish,
Talladega, St. Peter's Parish,
Mobile, Christ Church Parish,
Huntsville, Church of the Nativity,
Mobile, Trinity Church Parish,
Tuskaloosa, Christ Church Parish,
Mobile, St. John's Parish,
Greensboro, St. Paul's Parish,
Montg'y, Ch. of the Holy Comforter,
Decatur, St. Paul's Parish,
Faunsdale, St. Michael's Parish,
Gallion, St. Andrew's Parish,
Mobile, the Ch. of the Good Shepherd,
Jacksonville, St. Luke's Parish,
Carlowville, St. Paul's Parish,
Auburn, the Ch. of the Holy Innocents,
Tuscumbia, St. John's Parish,
Gadsden, St. Paul's Parish,
Clayton, Grace Church Parish,
Tilden, Grace Church Parish,
Forkland, St. John's Parish,
Union Springs, Trinity Church Parish,
Avondale, The Avondale Mission,
Clanton, The Clanton Mission,
Uniontown, Holy Cross Parish,
Marion, St. Wilfrid's Parish.

The List of Parishes so entitled was then called, and Credentials of Lay Deputies were presented and referred to a Committee consisting of Rev. T. J. BEARD, Rev. BENJ. DENNIS and Rev. J. F. JOHN. This Committee reported the following Lay Deputies entitled to seats:

Anniston, Grace Church—L. W. Hammond, A. L. Tyler, V. H. Marshall, W. L. McCaa, J. L. Wikle.

Anniston, Church of St. Michael and All Angels—John W. Noble, O. H. Parker, R. W. Hunter, Samuel Robinson, W. Y. Titcomb.

Birmingham, Church of the Advent—R. H. Pearson, Robert Jemison, T. C. Thompson, Thomas Cobbs, J. W. Bush.

Birmingham, St. Mary's Church—George C. Ball, F. E. Davidson, G. H. Ellerbe, Robert Chisolm, H. L. Underwood.

Carlowville, St. Paul's Church—J. D. Alison, R. J. Lide, Isaac Youngblood, J. D. Alison, Jr.

Eufaula, St. James' Church—H. R. Shorter, T. W. Toney, D. Thornton, H. D. Clayton.

Faunsdale, St. Michael's Church—J. H. Minge, Philip Nelson.

Gallion, St. Andrew's Church—H. A. Tayloe, R. H. Dugger, C. A. Smith, Chas. Hause.

Greensboro, St. Paul's Church—R. H. Stickney, C. E. Waller, A. Stollenwerck, E. L. Stickney, H. G. Benners.

Huntsville, Church of The Nativity—James Matthews, Milton Humes, Danl. Coleman, Irwin White, S. R. Cruse.

Marion, St. Wilfrid's Church—R. H. Evins, James Gregory.

Montgomery, St. John's Church—Joel White, B. J. Baldwin, S. C. Marks, H. C. Tompkins, W. C. Pope.

Montgomery, Church of The Holy Comforter—J. L. Cobbs, J. B. Trimble, W. W. Allen, J. S. Winter, A. O. Poinier.

Mobile, Christ Church—R. S. Bunker, Danl McNeill, W. H. Ross, T. S. Fry, Geo. H. Dunlap.

Mobile, Trinity Church—H. T. Toulmin, O. F. Cawthon, A. M. Quigley, Geo. B. Cleveland, Rich'd Hines.

Prattville, St. Mark's Church—D. B. Booth.

Tuskaloosa, Christ Church—James H. Fitts, S. M. Peck, P. Bryce, A. Hill, E. N. C. Snow.

Whistler, St. Paul's Church—Alfred Cox, W. J. Jolly, W. T. Sawyer.

Mt. Meigs Mission—E. S. Armistead.

Their names being called, the following were found to be present:

Messrs. J. W. Noble, F. E. Davidson, Robert Chisolm, H. L. Underwood, J. D. Alison, Jr., D. Thornton, Philip Nelson, H. A. Tayloe, C. A. Smith, C. E. Waller, Joel White, W. W. Allen, A. O. Poinier, Dan'l McNeill, T. S. Fry, Geo. H. Dunlap, H. T. Toulmin, Geo. B. Cleveland, J. H. Fitts, A. Hill and W. T. Sawyer.

A quorum being present, the Council was declared to be duly organized, and the Rev. R. H. COBBS, D. D., was nominated and elected Secretary.

On motion, the Rules of Order of the last Council were adopted for the government of this Council.

On motion, these Rules were amended so as to provide that the presentation of Parochial Reports shall be made the first business in order after the election of a Secretary.

Under this Rule, the List of Parishes was called and Parochial Reports were placed upon the Secretary's table.

The following Standing Committees were announced by the President:

Committee on the State of the Church—Rev. E. W. Spalding, D. D., Rev. J. M. Banister, D. D., Rev. J. F. Smith, Rev. W. C. Whitaker, Messrs. C. A. Smith, Geo. H. Dunlap.

Committee on Canons—Rev. H. Stringfellow, D. D., Rev. P. A. Fitts, Rev. T. J. Beard, Messrs. H. T. Toulmin, Robt. Chisolm, A. Hill, N. H. R. Dawson, R. H. Pearson.

Committee on Finance—R. M. Nelson, J. H. Fitts, Joel White, Dan'l McNeill, H. L. Underwood, H. A. Tayloe, Dozier Thornton, Jno. L. Cobbs, G. A. Wilkins, R. H. Stickney.

Committee on Parochial Reports—Rev. J. L. Tucker, D. D., Rev. J. F. John, Messrs. H. G. Benners, J. D. Alison, Jr., F. D. Tinsley, J. G. Murray, A. O. Poinier.

Committee on Unfinished Business—Rev. R. H. Cobbs, D. D.

On motion, the Parochial Reports were referred to the Committee on Parochial Reports.

The following was presented and read and received.

OFFICIAL ACTS OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE.

1891. *June* 8— The Committee organized by the election of the Rev. J. L. Tucker, D. D., President; election of a Secretary was postponed, The Hon. H. T. Toulmin acted as Secretary pro-tem. The Rev. Joseph F. John and T. Burry, Deacons, were recommended to the Bishop for Ordination to the Priesthood; with consent to a reduction of time to one year in the case of Mr. John. Mr. William Mitchell, Postulant, was recommended for admission as a Candidate for Holy Orders.

A communication from the Presiding Bishop was laid before the Committee, giving notice that action on the part of the Standing Committee on the

election of the Rev. Henry C. Swentzel as Missionary Bishop of Yedo, Japan, might be postponed until further notice.

Testimonials testifying to the election of the Rev. Phillips Brooks, D. D., Rector of Trinity Church, Boston, as Bishop of Massachusetts, were received, and consideration postponed.

July 23— The Rev. John Conway Johnes was recommended for Ordination to the Priesthood. Consent was given to the Consecration of the Rev. Dr. Phillips Brooks as Bishop of Massachusetts. Also, consent was given to the Consecration of the Rev. Isaac L. Nicholson as Bishop of Milwaukee.

November 3— The Clerical Members of the Standing Committee met at the Bishop's residence, in obedience to his summons, to act as a Council of Advice in a matter of discipline.

November 9— Mr. William F. Bellinger, Postulant, was recommended to the Bishop for admission as a Candidate for Holy Orders.

December 18— Mr. Orville M. Yerger, Candidate, was recommended for Ordination as Deacon. Mr. Bertram E. Brown, Postulant, was recommended for admission as a Candidate for Holy Orders. Consent was given to the Consecration of the Rev. Cleland Kinloch Nelson, D. D., as Bishop of Georgia.

1892. *January* 8— Mr. William H. Mitchell, Candidate, was recommended to the Bishop for Ordination as Deacon, with consent for a reduction of time to six months.

January 25— An Application from the Diocese of Springfield was laid before the Committee, asking the consent of Alabama to the Election of an Assistant Bishop for the Diocese of Springfield. The Committee declined to give its consent.

February 17— Mr. Percy Wellington Campbell, a Methodist Licentiate, was recommended to the Bishop for Admission as a Candidate for Holy Orders.

J. L. TUCKER, *President.*

On motion, the Bishop's Address was made the order for the day on Wednesday morning immediately after the assembling of the Council.

On motion, it was

Resolved, That the sessions of the Council continue daily from 9 : 30 A. M., to 3 : 30 P. M.

On motion, the Council adjourned till Wednesday morning.

SECOND DAY.

MOBILE, May 4th, 1892.

Prayers were said at 9 A. M., and the Council met pursuant to adjournment. The Roll was called and a quorum was found to be present, and the minutes of yesterday's proceedings were read and approved.

Rev. W. T. ALLEN, Rev. R. W. BARNWELL, Rev. J. A. HARRISON, D. D., Rev. W. D. MARTIN, Rev. W. H. MITCHELL and Rev. G. R. UPTON and Messrs. R. H. PEARSON, J. W. BUSH, J. H. MINGE, R. H. STICKNEY, H. C. TOMPKINS, J. L. COBBS, W. H. ROSS, D. B. BOOTH and E. S. ARMISTEAD, appeared and took their seats.

Certificates of Lay Deputies were presented from the Church of the Holy Innocents, Auburn; St. Peter's Church, Talladega; St. Paul's Church, Selma; St. John's Church, Mobile; Trinity Church, Demopolis; St. Paul's Church, Lowndesboro; St. Thomas' Church, Greenville; and were declared by the Committee to be in due form, and the following Deputies entitled to seats:

Auburn, Church of the Holy Comforter—W. L. Broun.

Talladega, St. Peter's Church—Joshua Lancaster, Vanderbilt Spader.

Selma, St. Paul's Parish—N. H. R. Dawson, Rich'd M. Nelson, Fleming D. Tinsley, John G. Murray, Geo. A. Wilkins.

Mobile, St. John's Church—O. J. Semmes, Price Williams, Jr., Emanuel Jones, Fred Graves.

Demopolis, Trinity Church—J. T. Jones, F. G. Lyon, J. C. Webb, L. A. George.

Lowndesboro, St. Paul's Parish—W. H. Whetstone, Henry Parker, C. Douglas.

Greenville, St. Thomas' Church—D. G. Dunklin, E. Crenshaw, F. Stollenwerck, W. Calhoun.

Their names being called, Messrs. W. L. BROUN, JOSHUA LANCASTER, VANDERBILT SPADER, N. H. R. DAWSON, R. M. NELSON, F. D. TINSLEY, J. G. MURRAY, G. A. WILKINS, F. G. LYON, J. C. WEBB, O. J. SEMMES, EMANUEL JONES, appeared and took their seats.

The names of JNO. L. COBBS, G. A. WILKINS and R. H. STICKNEY, were added to the Committee on Finance, and N.

H. R. DAWSON and R. H. PEARSON, to the Committee on Canons.

Two Resolutions in regard to changes in the Canons were introduced, and on motion referred to the Committee on Canons.

The following was presented and read, and on motion, was referred to the Committee on Finance.

Whereas, It is the duty of the Council not only to assess the Parishes for the support of the Episcopate, but also to provide, as far as possible, for the prompt payment of the same. *Therefore Resolved*, That the Treasurer of the Diocese be and he is hereby authorized and directed to borrow at the end of each quarter a sum sufficient to meet the obligations of the Council, said amount to be refunded by payments as they come into his hands.

The reports of the Treasurer and Trustees of the Bishop's Fund, the Treasurer of the Diocesan Missionary Fund, and the Treasurer of the Diocese, were presented, and on motion, were referred to the Committee on Finance.

A petition and certain papers relating to the affairs of the Church of the Advent, Birmingham, and also to the Mission at Mt. Meigs, were presented, and on motion, were referred to the Committee on Canons.

Also certain recommendations from the Vestry of the Church of the Nativity, Huntsville, were presented, and on motion, were referred to the same Committee.

A Resolution in regard to the St. Andrew's Brotherhood was presented and read, and on motion, was referred to the Committee on The State of the Church.

The Bishop of the Diocese then read his Annual Address, which, on motion, was referred to the Committee on the State of the Church.

The Assistant Bishop then read his Annual Report, which, on motion, was referred to the same Committee.

The Report of the Treasurer of the University of the South for the Diocese of Alabama, was presented, and on motion, was referred to the Committee on Finance.

The Council then voted by ballot for the Standing Committee of the Diocese,

Rev. W. T. ALLEN and Messrs. C. E. WALLER and V. SPADER being appointed Tellers, and the balloting resulted in the election of Rev. J. L. TUCKER, D. D., Rev. H. STRINGFELLOW, D. D., Rev. G. C. TUCKER, Mr. R. S. BUNKER, Mr. F. B. CLARK, Mr. H. T. TOULMIN.

The Committee appointed to arrange for the support of an Evangelist made a Report which, on motion, was referred to the Committee of the Whole on the State of the Church, said Committee to sit immediately after the election of Delegates to the General Convention.

The following was presented and read.

Whereas, Almighty God has blessed John W. Noble, of Anniston with worldly means and with a Christian sense of responsibility to do his Master's work, and *Whereas* Mr. Noble has devoted a large part thereof to and hath built and given to this Diocese one of its most beautiful, complete and stately edifices, "The Church of St. Michael and All Angels," dedicated to the worship and glory of God and the spread of His Holy Gospel. And it being fit and proper that so munificient a gift be acknowledged by this Diocese in Council assembled, and that some evidence of its appreciation of this good work be publicly made.

Now be it *Resolved*, That this Diocese do hereby tender to Mr. John W. Noble, of Anniston, its heartfelt thanks for the beautiful Church which he has presented to the Diocese, and dedicated to the service and worship of God, and that a copy of this Preamble and Resolution, engrossed upon parchment, be sent by the Secretary to Mr. John W. Noble, of Anniston.

On motion, the Preamble and Resolution were unanimously adopted by a rising vote.

The following Resolutions were presented and read, and on motion, adopted by a rising vote.

Resolved, That the Bishop be requested to furnish to the Council for publication in the Journal of its Proceedings, the sermon preached by him at the convening of the Council on yesterday, and resolved further, that 1000 copies of the sermon be also published in pamphlet form for general distribution.

On motion, the Council took a recess, and after an interval resumed its session and proceeded to vote for Clerical and Lay Deputies to the General Convention;

Mr. F. G. LYON and Mr. A. O. POINIER, were appointed tellers to collect and count the votes for Clerical Delegates, the Council voting by ballot and by orders,

The voting resulted in the election of Rev. H. STRINGFELLOW, D. D., Rev. J. M. BANISTER, D. D., Rev. J. L. TUCKER, D. D., and Rev. R. H. COBBS, D. D., these persons having received a majority of the votes cast by both orders.

Rev. W. C. WHITAKER and Rev. THOS. BURRY, were appointed tellers to collect and count the votes for Lay Deputies to the General Convention, the Council again voting by orders. The balloting resulted in the election of the following persons: Messrs. JOEL WHITE, R. M. NELSON, JOHN W. NOBLE and H. T. TOULMIN, these persons having received a majority of the votes of both orders.

On motion, the Special Order of the day was postponed till Thursday morning after the reading of the Minutes.

On motion, Messrs. T. S. FRY, B. J. BALDWIN, J. W. NOBLE, DAN'L COLEMAN and C. E. WALLER, were elected Lay members of the Board of Missions.

On motion, the Council took a recess and after an interval, resumed its session and on motion, adjourned till 9:30 A. M., Thursday.

THIRD DAY.

MOBILE, May 5th, 1892.

Prayers were said at 9 A. M., and immediately afterwards the Council was called to order pursuant to adjournment. The Rt. Rev. H. M. JACKSON, D. D., presiding. The Roll was called and a quorum found to be present, and the minutes of yesterday's proceedings were read and approved.

Mr. J. D. ALISON of St. Paul's Church, Carlowville; Mr. FRED GRAVES of St. John's Church, Mobile, and Mr. V. H. MARSHALL, an alternate Delegate from Grace Church, Anniston, appeared and took their seats.

The Council voting by Parishes and Orders proceeded to elect Alternate Clerical Deputies to the General Convention,

Mr. J. G. MURRAY and Mr. A. O. POINIER being appointed tellers to collect and count the vote. The balloting resulted in the election of Rev. P. A. FITTS, Rev. T. J. BEARD, Rev. R. W. BARNWELL, Rev. E. W. SPALDING, D. D., these persons having received a majority of the votes of both orders. The following persons were then elected Alternate Lay Deputies to the General Convention. Rev. G. C. TUCKER and Rev. W. C. WHITAKER being appointed tellers to collect and count the vote. The balloting resulted in the election of Messrs. N. H. R. DAWSON, O. J. SEMMES, W. L. BROUN, H. L. UNDERWOOD, these persons having received a majority of the votes of both orders.

A memorial from the Birmingham Convocation in regard to certain changes in the Canon on Convocations was presented and read, and on motion, was referred to the Committee on Canons.

A Resolution in regard to a change in the Canon on Vestries was presented, and on motion, was referred to the Committee on Canons.

Certain amendments to the Constitution, adopted by the last Council, were on motion, re-affirmed by this Council, and are now binding. (Appendix.)

The order of the day was on motion postponed, and the following was presented and read.

To the Rt. Rev. the Bishop and the Council of the Protestant Episcopal Church of the Diocese of the State of Alabama.

The Church of the Advent, Birmingham, Ala., petition this Honorable body that the Vestry of the Church of the Advent, of Birmingham, Ala., be authorized and empowered to negotiate a loan of not exceeding thirty thousand ($30,000) dollars, for the purpose of and to be used in the completion of the Church building, now in the course of construction on the corner of 6th Ave and 20th street in the City of Birmingham, and with this view and purpose of securing the payment of such loan to make and execute to the person, persons or corporation from whom the money is obtained, a Mortgage or deed of Trust upon the property of the Church situated on the corner of 20th street and 6th Ave., being 200 feet on 6th Ave., and extending back along 20th street 190 feet to an alley, together with buildings and improvements now upon or hereafter to be placed upon said property,

This Petition is presented for the purpose of completing the Church now in the course of construction, and for the purpose of paying off such liability as may be due for work already done.

And your Petitioners will ever pray,

THOS. J. BEARD, Rector,
W. J. MILNER, Junior Warden,
ROBERT JEMISEN,
CHAS. WHEELOCK,
W. P. G. HARDING,
R. H. PEARSON, Senior Warden,
JOHN W. BUSH,
T. C. THOMPSON,
W. P. COCHRAN,
CHAS. GARLAND,
Vestrymen of the Church.

The Committee on Canons to whom was referred the petition of the vestry of the Church of the Advent, of the City of Birmingham, Ala., praying authority of this Council to negotiate a loan, with the view and for the purposes as set forth in said petition, and to secure the same by a Mortgage or Deed of Trust upon the property hereinafter described, beg leave to report and recommend that the petition be in all respects granted; and this Committee recommend that the following resolutions be adopted, viz:

Resolved by the Council of the Diocese of Alabama, in Council now assembled,

1st. That the Board of Vestry of the Church of the Advent, of the City of Birmingham, be and they are hereby empowered and authorized to negotiate a loan of a sum not to exceed ($30,000.00) Thirty Thousand Dollars upon such terms and conditions, and for such a length of time as may to them seem right and proper, for the said purposes, as stated in said petition; and to secure the payment of said loan by executing a Mortgage, Deed of Trust or other instrument of writing as may be necessary in the premises, to such person, persons or corporation, as may be willing to lend the said sum or any other less sum of money, upon a portion or all of the property of the said Church which is particularly described as follows, to-wit: Two hundred feet front on Sixth Avenue and extending back perpendicular to said Avenue one hundred and ninety feet to an alley together with such buildings and improvements now on said property or that may be hereafter placed thereon, in the City of Birmingham, Jefferson County, Alabama.

2nd. That the said Board of Vestry of said Church are hereby fully empowered and authorized to do any and perform all acts either by themselves, their authorized agents, or Building Committee as the said Board may appoint to carry out fully the powers herein granted.

3rd. That the Right Rev. Bishop of the Diocese of Alabama be and he is hereby authorized and requested upon proper application from said Board of Vestry to make, execute and deliver such, or whatever paper writings as may

be necessary to carry out fully the intent and purposes of the foregoing resolutions.

And this Council hereby consent to the execution of said loan and mortgage.

ALONZO HILL, PHILIP A. FITTS, THOS. J. BEARD,
R. H. PEARSON, N. H. R. DAWSON.

A Minority Report was presented, but after discussion was, on motion, laid upon the table, and the Report of the majority, with accompanying Resolutions, was unanimously adopted.

A series of Resolutions relating to the school for girls at Anniston were introduced and read, and on motion, were referred to the Committee on the State of the Church.

The Council then took a recess and after a time resumed its session.

The following was presented and read.

The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred the application of Grace Church, Mt. Meigs, asking permission of the Council for the Bishop to mortgage its property for a sum not exceeding $300.00, recommend that the application be granted.

H. STRINGFELLOW, Chairman.

On motion, the report was adopted unanimously.

The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred the application of Mrs. Matthews to exchange certain lots in Huntsville, deeded to the Church, for others more desirable for Church purposes, said application being endorsed by the Vestry of the Church of the Nativity, Huntsville, recommend that the proposed exchange be and is hereby authorized.

H. STRINGFELLOW, Chairman.

On motion, this report was unanimously adopted.

The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred the application of certain Communicants at Madison Station, asking permission for the Bishop to execute a mortgage on a lot for $300.00, recommend that permission be granted if, in the judgment of the Bishop, such action be desirable.

On motion, this report was unanimously adopted.

The following resolution was presented by the Committee on Canons, and on motion, was adopted.

Resolved, That Canon VIII, Section 7, Clause (b), be so amended as to read:

The Rector shall have power to call Vestry Meetings at any time, giving reasonable notice, and it shall be his duty to do so, whenever he may be requested by three members of the Vestry. A majority of the members shall constitute a quorum.

The following was presented and read, and on motion, was adopted.

The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred the proposed alteration of Canon XII, Section 1, by the addition of the words "by the Vestry" so as to read. "Two of the Vestry shall be appointed by the Vestry to serve as Wardens, &c., &c., unless otherwise ordered by act of incorporation," recommend its adoption.

The Committee on Canons to whom was referred the proposed amendment in regard to a special notice to Vestrymen, recommend that the amendment be rejected.

H. STRINGFELLOW, Chairman.

On motion, the Canon in regard to Aged and Infirm Clergyman, which appeared in Appendix to Journal of 1890, was repealed.

The communication from the Birmingham Convocation, was on the motion of the Committee on Canons, referred to the Committee of the Whole on the State of the Church.

The Canon in regard to Certificate of Election of Lay Deputy from Mission Stations, and the Canon in regard to Parochial Reports, adopted by the last Council, were, on motion, re-affirmed by this Council.

The order of the day having arrived the Council resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole on the State of the Church, and after an interval resumed its session.

The Committee of the Whole reported progress and asked leave to sit again.

On motion, the Council adjourned till 9:30 A. M., Friday.

FOURTH DAY.

MOBILE, May 6th, 1892.

The Council met pursuant to adjournment. The Roll was called, a quorum was found to be present, and the minutes of yesterday's proceedings were read and approved. Mr. H. G. BENNERS of St. Paul's Church, Greensboro, appeared and took his seat.

The following Resolution, was on motion, adopted:

Resolved, That every Clergyman of the Diocese be and hereby is requested to appoint in his respective Parish or Mission Station an agent who shall receive and forward all subscriptions for the Diocesan Paper, "the Diocese of Alabama."

On motion, the courtesies of the floor were extended to Rev. C. C. WILLIAMS, of Georgia, a visiting Clergyman.

The following was presented as a partial Report of the Committee of the Whole on the State of the Church:

Resolved, That the Council continue the Committee appointed to raise funds for the support of an Evangelist, and the Council hereby pledge its active co-operation.

Resolved, That Canon V, be amended as follows: Section II, to be changed to Section III, and a section marked II, to be added as follows: Section II. The Convocation shall be composed of the Clergy and one Lay member from each Parish or Mission, within its bounds as determined by the Bishop. Such Lay Deputy to be appointed by the Rector, or Missionary in charge.

Resolved, That a Section marked Section IV, (present Section IV, being changed to Section V,) be adopted.

Section IV. The Convocation shall hold regular meetings at least once each year; extra meetings may be called by the Dean.

Section VI. The expenses of the Clerical members of the Convocation in attending meetings shall be defrayed by the Convocation.

The following was presented and read, and on motion referred to the next Annual Council.

Resolved, That Section 4, of Canon VII, Title I, be changed so as to read.

"In every Parish the voters, when not otherwise determined by legal statute, shall be communicants of the Church belonging to the Parish or Congregation."

REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE.

The Finance Committee beg to report that they have examined and audited the account of MR. GEORGE A. WILKINS, the Treasurer of the Diocese, and find that, including the balance on hand at the last Council, he has received the sum of.....$6,891 89
And that he has properly expended the sum of..... 6,818 00

Leaving a cash balance on hand of.....$ 73 89

The Committee further report that they have examined and audited the account of MR. CHARLES E. WALLER, Treasurer of the Diocesan Missionary Fund, and find that including the balance on hand at the last Council he has received the sum of.....$4,540 15
And that he has properly expended the sum of..... 3,444 60

Leaving a cash balance on hand of.....$1,095 55

The Committee further report that they have examined and audited the account of MR. N. H. R. DAWSON, the Treasurer of the Bishop's Fund, and find that including the balance on hand at the last Council, he has received the sum of.....$1,334 29
And that has properly expended the sum of..... 1,334 29

Leaving nothing on hand.....$ 000 00

The Committee further report that they have examined and audited the account of Mr. JNO. L. COBBS, as Treasurer of the University of the South for the Diocese of Alabama, and find that since the last Council he has received the sum of..... $162 73
And that he has properly expended the sum of..... 162 73

Leaving no balance.....$000 00

THE COMMITTEE SUBMIT THE FOLLOWING AS THE REQUIREMENTS FOR 1892-93.

The Bishop's Salary	$3,000 00
The Assistant Bishop's Salary	3,000 00
The Secretary of the Council	150 00
The Treasurer of the Council	50 00
The Expenses of the Council of 1892 and 93	15 00
Printing the Journal of the Council of 1892-93	200 00
One-half premium on life insurance of Bishop Wilmer	122 50
Demand Note for borrowed money	525 00
Total	$7,062 50

AND THE FOLLOWING AS THE ESTIMATED RESOURCES FOR 1892-93.

Cash in the hands of the Treasurer of the Diocese	$ 73 89
Cash in the hands of the Treasurer of the Bishop's Fund	0 00
Interest on the Bishop's Fund	1,000 00
Assessments from Parishes for 1892-93	5,911 40
Parishes in arrears	118 35
Total	$7,103 64

R. M. NELSON, J. H. FITTS, DAN'L MCNEILL,
DOZIER THORNTON, H. A. TAYLOE, JOEL WHITE,
G. A. WILKINS, H. L. UNDERWOOD, JNO. L. COBBS,
JNO. W. NOBLE, R. H. STICKNEY.

EXHIBIT A—ASSESSMENTS FOR 1892 AND 93.

Montgomery—St. John's Parish	$ 642 00
Mobile—Christ Church Parish	642 00
Selma—St. Paul's Parish	535 00
Huntsville—The Church of the Nativity	428 00
Birmingham—The Church of the Advent	428 00
Mobile—Trinity Church Parish	373 50
Birmingham—St. Mary's Parish	321 00
Tuskaloosa—Christ Church Parish	240 75
Anniston—Grace Church Parish	240 75
Mobile—St. John's Parish	280 87
Anniston—St. Michael and All Angels Parish	107 00
Greensboro—St. Paul's Parish	240 75
Demopolis—Trinity Church Parish	142 65
Montgomery—The Church of Holy Comforter	107 00
Eufaula—St. James' Parish	80 25
Decatur—St. Paul's Parish	25 00
Florence—Trinity Church Parish	46 81
Sheffield—Grace Church Parish	56 17
Uniontown—The Church of the Holy Cross	48 15
Faunsdale—St. Michael's Parish	48 15
Marion—St. Wilfrid's Parish	40 12
Greenville—St. Thomas' Parish	40 12
Gallion—St. Andrew's Parish	40 12
Eutaw—St. Stephen's Parish	33 43
Mobile—The Church of the Good Shepherd	33 45
Talladega—St. Peter's Parish	33 45
Boligee—St. Mark's Parish	26 75
Jacksonville—St. Luke's Parish	33 45
Livingston—St. James' Parish	26 75
Carlowville—St. Paul's Parish	40 12
Bessemer—Trinity Church Parish	33 45
Auburn—The Church of the Holy Innocents	32 10
Hayneville—St. Andrew's Parish	19 96
Tuscumbia—St. John's Parish	19 96
Scottsboro—St. Luke's Parish	19 96
Troy—St. Mark's Parish	19 96
Evergreen—St. Mary's Parish	19 96
Lowndesboro—St. Paul's Parish	19 96
Athens—St. Timothy's Parish	19 96
Gadsden—The Church of the Holy Comforter	24 07
Brierfield—The Brierfield Mission	16 05
Martin's Station—St. Luke's Parish	26 75
Clayton—Grace Church Parish	16 05
Amount Carried Forward	$5,669 75

Amount Brought Forward	$5,669 75
Piedmont—Christ Church Parish	16 05
Tilden—Grace Church Parish	13 37
Montevallo—The Montevallo Mission	16 05
Forkland—St. John's Parish	13 37
Prattville—St. Mark's Parish	13 37
Union Springs—Trinity Church Parish	16 05
Trinity—Grace Church Parish	13 37
Opelika—Emanuel Church Parish	21 40
Bon Secour—St. Peter's Parish	13 37
Avondale—The Avondale Mission	12 50
Ironaton—The Ironaton Mission	12 50
Gainsville—St. Alban's Parish	6 70
Whistler—St. Paul's Parish	10 70
Clanton—The Clanton Mission	5 35
Spring Hill—St. Paul's Parish	10 00
Woodlawn Mission	12 50
New Decatur—St. John's Parish	25 00
Sylacauga—Mission	10 00
Total	$5,911 40

They also recommend the adoption of the following Preamble and Resolution:

Whereas, it is the duty of the Council not only to assess the Parishes for the support of the Episcopate, but also to provide as far as possible for the prompt payment of the same.

Therefore resolved, That the Treasurer of the Diocese be and is hereby authorized and directed to borrow at the end of each quarter a sum sufficient to meet the obligations of the Council; said amounts to be refunded by payments as they come into his hands.

On motion, the Report was received and concurred in and the Resolutions adopted.

The Council then, by a rising vote unanimously expressed its thanks to the Rev. T. J. BEARD for the gift to the Council of a bound copy of all of its Journals.

Mr. GEO. A. WILKINS was nominated and elected Treasurer of the Diocese of Alabama.

Mr. CHAS. E. WALLER was nominated and elected Treasurer of the Diocesan Missionary Fund.

Mr. F. B. CLARK was nominated and elected Chancellor of the Diocese of Alabama.

Mr. B. J. BALDWIN was nominated and elected Registrar of the Diocese of Alabama.

Mr. JOHN L. COBBS was nominated and elected Treasurer of the University of the South for the Diocese of Alabama.

The Secretary was instructed to cast one ballot for the Trustees and Treasurer of the Bishop's Fund, and the balloting resulted in the election of Messrs. N. H. R. DAWSON, J. H. FITTS and H. C. TOMPKINS, Mr. DAWSON being designated as Treasurer.

On motion, the Secretary was instructed to tender the thanks of the Council to the various Rail Roads Companies which furnished reduced rates to members of this body.

On motion, it was

Resolved, by a rising vote, that this Council hereby tenders sincere thanks and grateful appreciation to the Rector and Parish of Christ Church, and to the members of Trinity and St. John's Parishes, and other citizens of Mobile, for the bounteous and courteous hospitality extended to the members of this Council.

On motion, Rev. J. A. VAN HOOSE, Mr. W. W. SCREWS and Mr. J. W. NOBLE were elected Trustees of the University of the South for the Diocese of Alabama.

On motion, the Council resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole on the State of the Church, and after an interval resumed its session, and the following Resolutions were presented as the Report of that Committee.

Resolved, That the Council hereby expresses its great satisfaction at the increasing interest manifested in Diocesan Mission and would commend the object to the Church as one of paramount interest.

Resolved, That the thanks of the Council are hereby tendered to Mr. C. E. Waller, Treasurer, to whose deep interest and faithful work our present condition is largely due.

On motion, both of the Resolutions were adopted.

The following Resolution was adopted unanimously.

Resolved, That this Council do hereby tender its grateful acknowledgement of the courtesy and hospitality of the Ladies of Christ Church, in providing a bountiful luncheon for the benefit of the Council.

The following was presented and read, and on motion, was received.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE STATE OF THE CHURCH.

In view of the Annual addresses of the Bishops and the Annual exhaustive Report of the Committee on Parochial Reports, there is little a Committee on the State of the Church can do, unless to enforce some conclusions to be deduced from reported facts, and help to garner for future use some fruit from the experience of the past.

The Committee considers the condition of the Diocese as decidedly encouraging, and this, notwithstanding some marked appearances to the contrary. The comparison of the present condition of the Diocese with that of 30 years ago, instituted by Bishop Wilmer, is a case in point. He showed that in 1862 there were Church Buildings, 33; in 1892, 66; besides 4 Churches destroyed by the elements and rebuilt, which is not a bad showing when we consider what a series of trials, civil and financial, the Diocese has been through since the former date, and this last consideration should enter as an element into any comparison instituted.

In 1862, it is true, there were 31 Clergymen, and now only 35, but the 31 Clergymen then ministered to only 1,703 Communicants and the 35 now to more than 6,000.

During this period again there have been 138 Clergy connected with the Diocese, of whom 85 have been transferred or otherwise removed, and been lost to the Diocese which is surely not as it should be.

It indicates a perambulatory disposition on the part of the Clergy, a serious defect in the Constitution of the Diocese, or an erroneous view of the office of the Ministry on the part of the Laity; probably all three. There is not the provision for the support of the Clergy in the Missions and weak Parishes that there should be, and the remedy it would seem must be found. (a). In the increase of the Missionary Fund, as the final formation of a Common fund ample for the support of the Bishops and Clergy, (b). In the endowment by bequest or otherwise, of the Diocese and of Parishes, (c). In a generous provision for Disabled Clergymen; and for the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen, (d). In the realization that a Priest is a steward of God's Mysteries, and a teacher and a guide of souls, and an example to the flock, and not to be esteemed merely a Preacher and an acceptable social element in a community. One should as soon wish to change his Father, or the old family Physician who understands the temperament and physical demands of his patients as a Parish should wish to exchange its capable and faithful Priest for a new comer and a stranger. And the Priest should, like a faithful officer "stand to his guns" and be enabled to do so, until ordered by superior authority to a different field. The constant change means constant *loss* not only financially, but in individual souls and in the *spiritual condition* of individual souls. And yet, the apparent loss is not entire and absolute loss for the men are still at work somewhere, and if faithful and energetic will bring forth fruit for Christ and the Church. The Committee feels that the Diocese is greatly to be congratulated on the efficient efforts of the devoted

and self-sacrificing Layman who has labored to secure the services of an Evangelist for the Diocese. Such a man is much needed and will save many a child and family to the Church, and secure the Church an early hearing in many new and growing places. The money for his support can be raised and ought to be raised speedily and the Resolution of the Council to that effect expresses its thorough realization of the need. The Committee would notice particularly the accurate and business like way in which the Report is presented.

The Committee recommend the following Resolution for adoption.

Resolved, That the Diocese of Alabama in Council assembled, desires to put on record its appreciation of the St. Andrew's Brotherhood, and to recommend to the Rev. Clergy, and especially to the Laymen of the respective Parishes, investigation of its methods and co-operation in its work.

The Committee would also recommend the adoption of the following Preamble and Resolutions.

Whereas, there has been erected in the city of Anniston, with funds transferred to the Rt. Rev. Richard H. Wilmer, D. D., Bishop of the Diocese of Alabama and his successors in office, as to others as Trustees, by Samuel Noble, lately deceased, by an instrument in writing dated the 25th of June, 1884, and on land heretofore conveyed to this Church and by the Church conveyed to the said Trustees for that purpose, a School for Girls, designated in said instrument of writing as a Church School for Girls, which by said instrument of Trust is to remain a Church School, that is to say, a Church School conducted under the auspices and influences of the Church, and to be in all matters and particulars under the control, management and direction of the said Trustees named therein, and *Whereas* the said School is and has been in operation, under the provisions of said deed and under the name of "The Noble Institute" and it is desired that the same shall be adopted by the Protestant Episcopal Church of Alabama as a Church School for Girls. Now, therefore, *Be it Resolved*, by the Council of the Protestant Episcopal Church of Alabama, that the said School, hereinabove referred to be and the same is hereby adopted as a "Church School for Girls," and the same be and is hereby authorized to style itself as The Alabama Diocesan School for Girls.

Resolved, That a Board of Visitors for said School consisting of three Clergymen and four Laymen be elected annually by the Council of the Diocese.

The Committee would also mention as one of the most significant evidences of healthy and practical piety, in the Diocese, gifts like the one first referred to, and the munificent gift of "The Church of St. Michael and All Angels." Sermons in stone and brick are very effective sermons and very lasting sermons. They appeal to the eye at a time when most sermons are addressed to the ear. The building and adorning of Churches and the building and equipping of Schools and Parish Houses help to realize what was intended to be a

perpetual feature of the Church of God. "Like as we have heard, so have we seen in the city of the Lord of Hosts, in the city of our God, God upholdeth the same forever."

All of which is repectfully submitted.

ERASTUS W. SPALDING, Chairman, J. M. BANISTER,
J. F. SMITH, W. C. WHITAKER,
G. H. DUNLAP, C. A. SMITH,
J. G. MURRAY.

On motion, this Report was concurred in, each Resolution was adopted separately, and the whole Report, with all of its provisions, was then adopted.

Rev. H. STRINGFELLOW, D. D., Rev. R. H. COBBS, D. D., Rev. R. W. BARNWELL, and Messrs. ALONZO HILL, JNO. L. COBBS, MILTON HUMES and R. H. PEARSON, were elected said Board of Visitors.

On motion it was

Resolved, That the next Annual Session of the Council be held in St. John's Church, Montgomery, May 16th, 1893.

The Council on motion took a recess, and re-assembling, the following Resolution was unanimously adopted by a rising vote:

Resolved, That the Council has marked with great regret, the absence from its session of Rev. F. B. LEE and Rev. W. A. STICKNEY, and that the Secretary convey this Resolution to them in writing.

On motion, the Secretary was instructed to have printed 600 copies of the Journal of this Council.

The Committee on Parochial Reports made its Report, which, on motion, was received. (Appendix).

The following Resolution was, on motion adopted:

That where Letters Dimissory are applied for by a Priest or Deacon connected with this Diocese, the same must be accompanied with a Parochial Report up to the date of application, and also with evidence that the Parish Records are complete and that such Records are in the hands of the Senior Warden of the Parish.

The following Resolution was, on motion referred to the Standing Committee of the Diocese with instructions to prepare a Canon on the subject and report to the next Council.

Resolved, That at each Episcopal visitation the Parish Records must be exhibited to and examined by the Bishop, and that the names of persons confirmed at such visitation shall be entered in the Parish Register, and attested by the Bishop.

On motion the Council adjourned till 9:30 A. M., Saturday.

FIFTH DAY.

MOBILE, May 7th, 1892.

The Council met pursuant to adjournment. On motion, the calling of the Roll was dispensed with, and the minutes of yesterday's proceedings were read and approved.

Notice was given that a motion would be made at the next Council, requiring all Parishes to use a Parish Register prepared especially for the Diocese, and that where a Parish was unable to purchase such Register, it should be furnished by the Diocese.

After reading and approving the minutes, the Gloria in Excelsis was sung, the benediction was pronounced, and on motion, the Council adjourned "*sine die.*"

RICHARD H. WILMER,
President.

R. H. COBBS,
Secretary.

APPENDIX A.

ANNUAL ADDRESS OF THE BISHOP OF THE DIOCESE OF ALABAMA,

TO THE COUNCIL, MAY 3d, 1892.

DEARLY BELOVED BRETHREN OF THE CLERGY AND LAITY OF THE DIOCESE OF ALABAMA:

I greet you in the name of the Lord, and proceed to give you an account of my labors during the conciliar year just closed.

1891—May 19th. I met the Council of the Diocese at the Church of "St. Michael and All Angels," Anniston. After Divine Service, and a sermon by the Rev. Gardiner C. Tucker, I celebrated Holy Communion.

I presided at the Council until after its organization, and then assigned my Coadjutor to its Presidency. As health permitted, I attended upon its sessions to its close.

May 24th. (Trinity Sunday). Held an Ordination at St. Michael and All Angels, and ordained to the Holy Order of Priesthood Rev. Joseph Francis John, Deacon; celebrating Holy Communion, sermon by Bishop Jackson. At evening service on same day, I confirmed 2 persons at Grace Church, Anniston, after a sermon by Bishop Jackson.

After the adjournment of the Council, I spent several months in the mountains of Virginia in pursuit of health. I do not think it necessary to give a detailed account of Ministerial Services rendered during my absence from the Diocese. Suffice it to say that I preached as opportunity offered and health permitted.

I will however allude to a series of services which I was privileged to hold, whilst spending a month at Capon Springs, West Virginia. In a small Chapel built upon the grounds I held Divine Service every day. The service consisted of prayer, singing, reading a portion of scripture, followed by a brief familiar address. It was most interesting and refreshing to see how the

religious hearts of the community was brought out, how christians were drawn together, and above all how the standard of the cross was recognized and received due homage.

It is a lamentable fact that at most of our watering places, and their name is Legion, there is a sad lowering of religious tone and conduct. I am persuaded that this is due in large part to the absence as a general rule, of all Divine Service during the week. My habit has been for many years to have Morning Prayers every day, and, if there be no Church near by, to hold services in the parlor, of course with the approbation of the proprietor.

I refer to this matter because I wish to impress upon our Clergy the importance of availing themselves of every opportunity to raise the standard of the cross, and to rally around it the faithful. His health must be very far gone, who cannot read a few verses, give out a hymn, and say a few words of admonition and good cheer. To myself these services were very refreshing, and many who were present have since told me that "these daily gatherings for worship" enhanced all their other pleasures. Why should it not be so if "the joy of the Lord is the strength of our life"!

I submit here an account of all official acts done during my absence from the Diocese.

August 18th. Preached at Capon Springs, West Virginia, confirmed 1 person from Alabama, under sanction of the Bishop of West Virginia, and celebrated Holy Communion.

October 6th. Officiated at the marriage of my son, at St. James' Church, Philadelphia.

November 1st. (All Saints Day.) Preached at St. John's Church, Mobile.

November 8th. (24th Sunday after Trinity.) Preached and celebrated Holy Communion at Trinity Church, Mobile.

November 15th. (25th Sunday after Trinity.) Preached at Christ Church, Mobile. In the afternoon, participated in the funeral service of a member of same Church.

November 25th. Participated in a marriage service at Christ Church, Mobile.

November 29th. (Advent Sunday.) Preached and celebrated Holy Communion at St. John's, Montgomery.

December 3d. At Trinity Church, Mobile, I joined together a couple in Holy Matrimony.

December 10th. At Christ Church Cathedral, New Orleans, I participated in the funeral services of the late Bishop Galleher, of Louisiana, and celebrated Holy Communion.

December 25th. (The Nativity.) Preached and celebrated Holy Communion at Trinity Church, Mobile.

December 27th. (Sunday after Christmas.) I baptized an infant at St. John's Church, Mobile.

December 29th. I joined together in Holy Matrimony a couple in Mobile.

1892—January 3d. (2d Sunday after Christmas.) Preached at St. John's, Mobile, and confirmed 5 persons.

February 18th. Received from the Presiding Bishop of the Church, Letters of Authorization to consecrate and ordain Rev. Cleland K. Nelson, D. D., Bishop of Georgia, but, being unable to leave home on account of sickness, I delegated, as authorized by the Presiding Bishop, the duty to the Bishop present, next in seniority of office.

My failure to meet this appointment was a source of deep regret. The Bishop Elect was a near relative, and bore the name of one, who was very dear unto me. We entered the Theological Seminary of Virginia some 56 years ago, and were intimately associated thereafter until his death in 1891.

March 20th. (3d Sunday in Lent.) Preached at Trinity Church, Mobile, confirmed 33 persons, and celebrated Holy Communion.

The Rev. M. Cabell Martin, of the Diocese of Tennessee, presented the Candidates for Confirmation. Mr. Martin had spent three months in temporary charge of Trinity Parish, having been compelled to seek a warmer climate because of his health. He labored most assiduously and effectively whilst he was with us, and his labors were richly blessed. He left for his Church in Nashville to the deep regret of his many friends in Mobile.

March 27th. (4th Sunday in Lent.) Assisted in Divine Service at Trinity, Mobile.

April 3d. (5th Sunday in Lent.) Preached at St. Paul's, Whistler, confirmed 5 persons and celebrated Holy Communion,

April 10th. (Sunday before Easter.) Preached at St. Paul's, Spring Hill, and celebrated Holy Communion.

April 17th. (Easter Sunday.) Preached and celebrated Holy Communion at Trinity Church, Mobile.

April 20th. Solemnized the Rite of Matrimony at Trinity Church, Mobile.

April 24th. (1st Sunday after Easter.) Preached at Christ Church, Mobile, and confirmed 24 persons.

May 1st. (St. Philip's and St. James' Day.) Preached at St. John's, Mobile, and confirmed 35 persons. Number confirmed in this Parish during last Conciliar Year, 40.

The following is a summary of my official acts during the Conciliar Year just closed, viz:

Baptisms, Infants	1
Marriages Celebrated	4
Lay Readers Licensed	19
Priests Ordained	1
Persons Confirmed	105
Probationers for the Order of Deaconesses admitted	2
Funerals attended	3
Clergy Transferred to other Dioceses	5
Clergy Received from other Dioceses	5

General Summary of official acts by the Bishop and Coadjutor for Conciliar Year 1891-92.

Baptisms, Infants 15, Adults 2—Total	17
Marriages	4
Lay Readers Licensed	19
Priests Ordained	3
Deacons Made	2
Number of Persons Confirmed	442
Funerals	3
Probationers for the Order of Deaconesses	2
Clergy Transferred to other Dioceses	5
Clergy Received from other Dioceses	5

LETTERS DIMISSORY ISSUED AND RECEIVED.

I have transferred to other Dioceses, as follows:

Rev. Walter R. Dye, to Diocese of Mississippi.

" De B. Waddell, " " " "

Rev. A. J. Tardy, to Diocese of Louisiana.
" J. C. Johnes, " " " Maine.
" Percy W. Jones, " Missionary Jurisdiction of Western Texas.

I have received into the Diocese by Letters Dimissory as follows, viz:

Rev. Charles Trotman, from Diocese of Virginia.
" Owen P. Fitzsimmons, from Diocese of Georgia.
" T. Alex. Payne, (Deacon), from Diocese of Virginia.
" J. M. Benedict, from Diocese of Pittsburg.
" Mr. O. M. Yerger, and for Priest's Orders, since ordained Deacon, from Diocese of Connecticut.
Rev. Clarence C. Leman, from Diocese of Quincy.

Much to my sorrow, acting with the advice, consent and finding of Clerical Members of the Standing Committee, I suspended the Rev. Henry A. Skinner from the exercise of any and all of the functions of the Sacred Ministry for the period of three years. Hence it is that his names does not appear on the Clergy List.

CLERICAL CHANGES WITHIN THE DIOCESE.

Rev. Wm. T. Allen has taken charge of the Churches of Piedmont, Jacksonville and Talladega.

Rev. J. M. Bendict is now in charge of the Churches at Bon Secour and Whistler, and of the Mission at Citronelle.

Rev. Thos. Burry has charge of St. John's, Tuscumbia and Grace Church, Trinity, Morgan County.

Rev. O. P. Fitzsimmons has taken charge of the Church of "St. Mary's in the Highlands."

Rev. Joseph F. John has taken charge of the Church of St. Michael's, Faunsdale and of the Church of the Holy Cross, Uniontown.

Rev. Jas. L. Lancaster has resigned the Rectorship of Trinity, Mobile, and is officiating as Chaplain to the University of Virginia.

Rev. Wm. H. Mitchell, Deacon, is officiating at Woodlawn and Avondale.

Rev. T. Alex. Payne, Deacon, is officiating at St. Stephen's, Eutaw and St. Wilfrid's, Marion.

Rev. E. W. Spalding, D. D., has resigned the Rectorship of St. James' Church, Eufaula, and has taken charge of the congregations at Old and New Decatur.

Rev. Charles Trotman is in charge of Christ Church, Tuskaloosa.

Rev. Clarence C. Leman has taken charge of Trinity Church, Mobile.

CONSENTS GIVEN.

I have given my canonical consent to the Consecration of the Rev. Dr. Sessums and the Rev. Dr. Nelson to the Episcopates of the Dioceses of Louisiana and Georgia respectively.

OFFICIAL NOTICES RECEIVED.

Of deposition of Henry W. McCawley, from Bishop of New York.

Of deposition of Lyman H. Merrill, from Bishop of Delaware, acting for the Diocese of Massachusetts.

Of deposition of Samuel F. Myers, from Missionary Bishop of The Platte.

Of deposition of Howard McCreary, from Bishop of Ohio.

Of deposition of H. Digby Johnson, from Bishop of Colorado.

Of deposition of Francis E. Shober, from Bishop of New York.

Of deposition of J. Albert Williams, from Bishop of Nebraska.

Of deposition of Edward Ransford, from Bishop of New Jersey.

Of deposition of James Field Spalding, from Bishop of Massachusetts.

Of deposition of E. J. P. B. Williams, from Bishop of Missouri.

Of deposition of J. Wilson Taylor, from Bishop of Virginia.

Of deposition of Rene Vilatte, from Bishop of Fond du Lac.

Of deposition of James Hatterick Lee, from Bishop of Western New York.

OTHER NOTICES, VIZ:

That W. Hike Asadoure Andreasian, had ceased to be a Candidate for Orders, from the Bishop of Massachusetts, also,

That R. C. Macy had ceased to be a Candidate for Orders, from the Missionary Bishop of Western Texas.

That Anton A. Müller had ceased to be a Candidate for Orders, from Bishop of Albany.

You will have noticed in the foregoing report the number of Clerical changes. We part with our Brethren with deep regret, but they little know what perplexity and difficulty they leave behind them. This can alone be fully known to any but the Bishop's upon whom the labor of supplying the vacated places chiefly devolves. But this is a responsibility, which we have to bear as we best may. Meanwhile, we look for more settled times and a more abiding Clergy.

CHURCH HOME FUNDS.

The state of these Funds is substantially the same as at last Report.

Assets, mostly in Ala. Reg. Bond, (A,) Prime Cost,..$25,771.20
Face value,..... 30,000.00

Market value fluctuating, on account of *stringency* in Money market.

A BRIEF RETROSPECT.

It is well at times to look back and gather from the past comfort for the present, and hope for the future. It is for this reason, among many others, that the knowledge of History is of such vast importance. Notwithstanding the glaring evils in the State, the Church and society at large, there is no period in history upon which the diligent student can place his finger, and truthfully say, "this or that age was better on the whole than the present." I would fain enlarge upon this point, but my present purpose limits me to the consideration of our own Diocesan affairs, a matter of little general concern, but one of peculiar interest to ourselves.

I would fain begin this retrospect of the Diocese with the accession to the Episcopate of its first Diocesan Bishop Cobbs.

I would love to picture before your mind the Bishop and his scattered little flock. To those of you who knew that humble, sagacious and Godly man, all that I could say would be superfluous. There are thousands in Alabama and his native State, whose hearts still throb more quickly, and whose eyes grow brighter at the mention of his name. To those who knew him not, a clear and full likeness of the man would seem anideality. I have, in my "Reminescences," drawn his likeness in outline, but a full speaking portrait has not yet been given.

I have heard that it is the design of one of our Clergy to write a history of the Church in Alabama, and I am, therefore, content to pass by its earlier days, and confine myself to the period during which I have been connected with the Diocese.

For the present let the following statement suffice. The first gathering of the Clergy and Laity in the Diocese, of which there is any record, took place in Mobile, January 25th, 1830. It seems that Bishop Brownell of Connecticut, was in the city at the time, and by request presided over the meeting. In all likelihood, the Bishop, who had always manifested a lively interest in the Diocese, had originated the meeting. Bishop Brownell visited the Diocese several times, and was succeeded in its provisional charge by Bishops Otey and Polk.

Bishop Cobbs was consecrated at Philadelphia during the session of the General Convention, in October, 1844. He met the Council of the Diocese of Alabama, for the first time at St. John's, Montgomery, May 1st, 1845. I find, in the Journal of that year, that there were at that time 22 Parishes in the Diocese, and 18 Clergymen. The number of Communicants reported in the abstract of Parochial Reports is given as 552. With this little flock, less in number than that in several of our Parishes, this faithful shepherd began his pastoral care.

We come now to the time of my own accession to the Episcopate, March 6th, 1862. I met the Council of the Diocese for the first time in Christ Church, Mobile, May 1st, 1862. I meet you again in the same place after an interval of 30 years. There seems to be an eminent propriety in our taking at this time an "observation," as seamen are wont to do at stated periods in their voyage.

I have been at some pains to gather the statistics, which I herewith present, in order that we may know our present status, and gather what encouragement we may for the future.

Number of Clergy reported May 1862	31
" added by Ordination to the Diaconate	32
" " " Transfer from other Dioceses	75
" " " Accession of a Priest of the Roman Ch.	1
" belonging to the Diocese during 30 years	139

This number, compared with that which follows, shows a degree of changefulness among the Clergy that is altogether incompatible with the idea of a settled Pastorage.

Number of Communicants reported in "the Abstract" of Journal, May 1862 ..... 1597.

There was no report that year from the Churches in North Alabama, on account of the occupation of that section by Federal Armies.

By a recent report from Huntsville, I learn that there were 106 Communicants there at date ..... 106.

Total ..... 1703.

NO. OF CLERGY LOST TO THE DIOCESE SINCE MAY, 1862, VIZ:

By Elevation to the Episcopate	1
" Omission from List on account of suspension	1
" Drift	1
" Deposition	3
" Death, whilst resident in Diocese	13
" Transfer to other Dioceses	85
	104

Subtracting 104 from 139, we now have (our present number,) 35.

Thus it appears that the number of Clergy has only been increased by four. Looking at these figures only, and a partial view of statistics greatly misleads, we might naturally infer that no substantial advance had been made. But, when we sum up all the facts in the case, we shall reach a different conclusion.

For example—in 1862 there were 33 Church buildings. There have been since built 33; to say nothing of the number of Churches destroyed by fire, or taken down, rebuilded and enlarged.

The simple fact is, that, instead of ministering to handfulls, our Clergy now preach to large Congregations, instead of caring for a few Communicants, they now care for hundreds, instead of confining their labors to one locality, they have spread themselves over wide fields—This will appear from the following figures.

Communicants reported May, 1862.....1,703
Number reported May, 1892.....6,196

Take a few examples by way of illustration.

1862.	St, John's Montgomery,	had	185	Com.,	in	1892,	601.
"	Christ Church, Mobile,	"	180	"	"	"	455.
"	St. Paul's, Greensboro,	"	70	"	"	"	139.
"	St. John's, Mobile,	"	155	"	"	"	784.
"	St. Paul's, Selma,	"	58	"	"	"	327.
"	Nativity, Huntsville,	"	106	"	"	"	287.
"	Christ Ch. Tuskaloosa,	"	106	"	"	"	169.

CHURCH BUILDINGS IN THE DIOCESE MAY, 1862.

Ashville—St. John's, Autaugaville—St. Matthew's, Cahaba—St. Luke's, Camden—St. Mary's, Carlowville—St. Paul's, Demopolis—Trinity, Eutaw—St. Stephen's, Eufaula—St. James', Fork of Greene—St. Mark's, Florence—Trinity, Greensboro—St. Paul's, Greenville—St. Thomas', Gallion—St. Andrew's, Huntsville—Nativity, Jacksonville—St. Luke's, Livingston—St. James', Lowndes County—St. Peter's, Lowndesboro—St. Paul's, Marengo Co—St. Michael's, Marion—St. Wilfrid's, Mobile—Christ Church, Mobile—Trinity, Mobile—St. John's, Mobile—Good Shepherd, Montgomery—St. John's, Opelika—Emanuel, Pushmataha—Calvary, Selma—St. Paul's, Spring Hill—St. Paul's, Tuscumbia—St. John's, Tuskaloosa—Christ Church, Uniontown—Holy Cross, Wilderness—St. John's, North Alabama. Total Number 33.

CHURCH BUILDINGS ERECTED SINCE MAY, 1862.

Athens—St. Timothy, Anniston—Grace Church, Anniston—St. Michael and All Angels, Anniston—St. Paul's Chapel, Avondale—Christ Church, Auburn—Holy Innocents, Bessemer—Trinity, Birmingham—Advent, Birmingham—St. Mary's, Bon Secour—St. Peter's, Clayton—Grace, Coalburg— Colum-

bia— Dallas Co—Grace, Decatur—St. Paul's, Evergeeen—St. Mary's, Fowl River— Gadsden—Holy Comforter, Gainesville—St. Alban's, Haynesville—St. Andrew's, Mt. Meigs— Montevallo— Montgomery—Holy Comforter, Prattville—St. Mark's, Piedmont—Christ Church, Sheffield—Grace, Scottsboro—St. Luke's, Talladega—St. Peter's, Trinity—Grace, Troy—St. Mark's, Union Springs—Trinity, Whistler—St. Paul's, Woodlawn—Calvary. Total 33.

CHURCHES EXTINCT, BUT BUILDINGS REMOVED TO OTHER LOCALITIES IN SOME INSTANCES.

Autaugaville, St. Mathew's, Building Still Standing.
Dallas County, St. David's, " " "
Lowndes County, St. Peter's, " " "
Ashville, St. John's, now St. John's, Elyton.
Cahaba, St. Luke's, now St. Luke's, Martin's Station.
Fork of Greene, St. Mark's, now St. Mark's, Boligee.
Hale Co. "St. John's in the Praries," now St. John's, Forkland.

North Alabama, " St. John's in the Wilderness," Extinct.
Marengo Co., St. Michael's, now St. Michael's, Faunsdale.

CHURCHES DESTROYED OR TAKEN DOWN AND REBUILT.

St. Paul's, Selma, Destroyed by fire and rebuilt.
Trinity Ch. Demopolis, " " " " "
St. Mary's in the Highlands," " " " " "
Emanuel Church, Opelika, " " wind " "
Holy Innocents, Auburn, entirely rebuilt.
St. James', Eufaula, taken down and rebuilt.

Many other Churches have been enlarged and might properly be called new buildings, notably, Christ Church, Tuskaloosa.

New comers into a field of labor very naturally have their attention directed to what remains to be completed; they can form no adequate idea of what was accomplished before they came.

We have at this time many vacant places. Our new and large cities drain the villages of much of their population, creating a necessity for an increased distribution of labor on the

part of the Clergy, and calling for renewed diligence in the cause of Missions. For thirty years have I pressed this matter, hitherto with inadequate effect. This matter can only be reached by the efforts of the Parochial Clergy; especially through more thorough instruction in the preparation of their classes for Confirmation. There is the starting point. That Candidate is but partially prepared to take upon him the Holy vow of Confirmation, who is not taught to know, and recognize as a part of his vow, the duty of systematically giving "as the Lord hath prospered him."

That our Heavenly Father may pour out upon you all the abundance of His Grace, working in you that which is well pleasing in His sight, is the constant prayer of yours faithfully and affectionately,

RICHARD H. WILMER,

Mobile, May 3d, 1892. *Bishop of Alabama.*

APPENDIX B.

REPORT OF THE OFFICIAL ACTS

—OF THE—

ASSISTANT BISHOP OF THE DIOCESE OF ALABAMA.

MY DEAR BRETHREN OF THE CLERGY AND LAITY OF THE DIOCESE OF ALABAMA:

In compliance with Canonical enactment I submit to you this report of my official acts for the past year.

Not all has been done that I hoped to do, nor anything so well as I could wish it had been done, and while therefore I can not view this year of my labor with complacency, yet I can survey it with devout thankfulness to Him who is not our Strength only, but also our Sufficiency.

May 19th, 22d. I was in attendance upon the meeting of the Council in the Church of St. Michael and All Angels, Anniston.

May 24th. (Trinity Sunday.) Preached the sermon on the occasion of the ordination of the Rev. J. F. John to the Holy Priesthood, in the Church of St. Michael and All Angels, Anniston.

On the same day at night preached in Grace Church, Anniston.

June 5th. Preached in Grace, Sheffield.

June 6th. Preached in same Church.

June 7th. (Second Sunday after Trinity.) Preached in same Church.

June 9th. Attended meeting of the Board of Foreign and Domestic Missions in New York City.

June 14th. (3d Sunday after Trinity.) Preached the Baccalureate Sermon before the Tuskaloosa Female College in Christ Church, Tuskaloosa.

Preached again at night in same Church, and confirmed 4.

June 17th. Preached in St. Paul's, Greensboro.

June 18th. Preached in same Church, and confirmed 3.

June 20th. Preached in St. Thomas' Church, Greenville. Preached again at night in same Church, and confirmed 8.

June 21st. (4th Sunday after Trinity.) Celebrated Holy Communion in St. Thomas' Church, Greenville. At 11 o'clock service preached in St. Mary's, Evergreen, and again at night.

June 27th. Confirmed 1 person in private in Mobile, Candidate presented by the Rev. J. L. Tucker, D. D.

June 28th. (5th Sunday after Trinity.) Preached in the Church of the Holy Comforter, Montgomery, and confirmed 4. Preached again at night in same Church.

July 2d. Preached in the Methodist Church, Camden. Preached again at night and confirmed 6.

July 3d. Preached in Grace Church, Tilden.

July 4th. Preached in St. Paul's, Carlowville.

July 5th. (6th Sunday after Trinity.) Preached in St. Paul's, Carlowville. Preached again at night, and confirmed 3.

July 7th. Preached at night in the Church of the Advent, Birmingham, and confirmed 10.

July 8th. In the Church of the Advent, Birmingham, after a sermon by the Rev. O. P. Fitzsimmons, advanced to the Priesthood, the Rev. Thomas Burry, Deacon.

July 19. Preached in Grace Church, Albemarle, Va.

July 26th. Preached morning and evening in Trinity Church, Staunton, Va.

August 2d. Preached morning and evening in Grace Church, Richmond.

August 9th. Preached in Grace Church, Albemarle, Va.

August 11th. Attended meeting of the Diocesan Board of Missions, in the vestry room of the Church of the Advent, Birmingham.

August 12. Preached at night in the hall of Mr. Roger's residence, Letohatchee, and confirmed 2.

August 13th. Laid with appropriate ceremonies, the cornerstone of the Church of St. Mary's on the Highlands, Birmingham.

August 14th. Preached at night in Christ Church, Avondale, and confirmed 8, of whom 1 from Woodlawn.

August 16th. (12th Sunday after Trinity.) Preached in St. Mary's, Mon Louis Island, baptized 5 infants and celebrated

Holy Communion. On the night of same day preached in Methodist Church, Portersville.

August 17th, Baptized infant at the residence of Major F. S. Parker, Portersville.

(Note— The above Baptisms are recorded on the Register of St. John's Parish, Mobile.)

October 2d. Preached in Church of Nativity, Huntsville.

October 3d. Preached again in same Church.

October 4th. In the morning preached again in the Church of the Nativity, Huntsville, and administered Holy Communion. At night preached in same Church, and confirmed 17.

October 5th. Celebrated Holy Communion in same Church. At night preached at Madison Station, and confirmed 2.

October 6th. Preached again at Madison Station, and confirmed 2.

October 7th, 10th. Attended Birmingham Convocation meeting in the Church of the Advent, Birmingham.

October 10th. Preached in the Church of the Advent, Birmingham.

October 11th. Preached again in the Church of the Advent, and confirmed 13, of whom 1 from Avondale.

In the afternoon preached in St. Mary's on the Highlands, and at night in the Church of the Advent.

October 15th. Preached at night in St. John's, Montgomery.

October 16th, 17th. Attended Montgomery Convocation Meeting in St. John's Church, Montgomery.

October 18th. Confirmed 1 in St. John's, Montgomery, and celebrated Holy Communion. Preached morning and night in same Church, and addressed the Congregation on Diocesan Missions.

October 19th. Preached at night in the Church at Brown's Station.

October 20th. Preach in St. Luke's, Martin's Station. Baptized 1 person (adult), confirmed 5 and celebrated the Holy Communion. In these services I was assisted by the Rev. R. H. Cobbs, D. D.

October 21st, 24th. Attended the Selma Convocation Meeting in St. Paul's, Greensboro. The Holy Communion was celebrated each day.

October 23d. Preached at night in St. Paul's Church, Greensboro, and addressed the congregation on Diocesan Missions.

October 25th. Preached morning and night in the same Church and at morning service confirmed 1.

October 26th. Preached at night in the Presbyterian Church at Newberne, and confirmed 2.

After an absence from the Diocese of three weeks during which I was engaged in removing my family to Alabama, I resumed my work.

November 22d. Preached in the morning in St. Mary's on the Highlands, Birmingham, and at night in the Church of the Advent.

November 29th. Attended Divine service in St. John's, Montgomery, and assisted the Bishop of Diocese in the celebration of the Holy Communion.

December 5th. Attended a meeting of the Mobile Convocation at the Rectory of Christ Church, Mobile.

December 6th. Preached in the morning in Trinity Church, Mobile, and assisted the Bishop of the Diocese in the celebration of the Holy Communion. At night preached in Christ Church, Mobile.

December 11th. Attended and participated in the third examination of the Rev. J. C. Johnes for the Priesthood. Examination conducted by the Rev. T. J. Beard and the Rev. P. A. Fitts.

December 12. Preached the Ordination Sermon and advanced to the Priesthood the Rev. J. C. Johnes, Deacon, in the Church of the Holy Comforter, Gadsden. The candidate was presented by the Rev. T. J. Beard and the Rev. P. A. Fitts, who joined in the Laying on of Hands, and assisted in the celebration of the Holy Communion.

On the night of the same day I preached in the Presbyterian Church at Attalla.

December 13th. Preached morning and night in the Church of the Holy Comforter, Gadsden, and at morning service confirmed 1.

December 14th. Baptized at the residence of Mrs. Hammond in Attalla, Miss Helen Mortimer Forman. (The baptism is recorded on the parish register of the Holy Comforter, Gadsden.)

At the same time and place confirmed 2.

December 20th. Preached morning and night in St. Peter's Church, Talladega, and at evening service confirmed 9.

December 21st. Addressed the Parochial Missionary Society of St. Peter's, Talladega, on Diocesan Missions. On the night of the same day preached in Christ Church, Piedmont, and confirmed 5.

December 25th. (Christmas Day.) Preached in St. John's, Montgomery.

1892—January 3d. Preached in Grace Church, Anniston, celebrated the Holy Communion and confirmed 7.

In the afternoon preached in the Church of St. Michael and All Angels, and confirmed 12. At night preached a special sermon to young men in Grace Church.

January 10th. Preached morning and night in St. Peter's, Bon Secour, and at morning service celebrated Holy Communion, and confirmed 8.

January 17th. Preached in the Church of the Holy Comforter, Montgomery.

January 24th. In Trinity Church, Florence, I officiated, baptized 1 infant, administed Holy Communion, preached and confirmed 2. At night preached again in same Church and confirmed 2.

January 25th. Baptized 1 infant in private at Sheffield. At night preached in Grace Church, Sheffield, and confirmed 1.

January 26th. Celebrated the Holy Communion in Grace Church, Sheffield, and in St. John's, Tuscumbia, I officiated, baptized 1 infant, preached, celebrated the Holy Communion, and confirmed 1.

At night preached again in same Church.

January 29th. Confirmed 1 in the Church of the Holy Comforter, Montgomery.

January 31st. Preached in Emanuel Church, Opelika, and administered the Holy Communion. In the afternoon preached in the same Church and baptized 1 infant.

February 1st. Preached the Ordination Sermon and ordained Orville Michael Yerger, Deacon, after examination conducted by the Rev. Horace Stringfellow, D. D., and the Rev. Walter C. Whitaker, who presented the candidate.

February 6th. Preached in St. John's, Elyton.

February 7th. In Trinity Church, Bessemer, I ordered Deacon William Henry Mitchell who was presented by the Rev. Benjamin Dennis; preached, celebrated the Holy Communion, and confirmed 2.

February 14th. Preached in St. Paul's, Decatur, and celebrated the Holy Communion. In the afternoon preached in a public hall in New Decatur, and baptized Mary Sevenson Bibb, infant.

February 15th. Baptized Thyrsa Franc Vacher, infant in New Decatur. At night preached in the Church of the Nativity, Huntsville, and confirmed 10.

February 24th. Attended the Consecration of Dr. Cleland Kinloch Nelson, as Bishop of Georgia in St. Luke's Cathedral, Atlanta.

February 27th. Preached in Grace, Woodlawn, and confirmed 13, (of whom 3 were from Avondale).

February 28th. Particaped in the opening services of the new Church of St. Mary's on the Highlands, Birmingham, preached, celebrated the Holy Communion, and confirmed 6. At night preached in the Church of the Advent, and confirmed 22.

February 29th. Preached in the Chapel at Coalburg, and confirmed 2.

March 2d. Preached at Union Springs, in the hall of the Female Seminary.

March 3d. Preached in St. James', Eufaula, celebrated the Holy Eucharist, and confirmed 6.

March 6th. Preached in St. Paul's, Selma, and celebrated the Holy Eucharist. At night preached again and confirmed 13.

March 8th. Made address at Lenten Service in St. John's, Montgomery.

March 13th. Preached in St. Michael's, Faunsdale, celebrated Holy Communion, and confirmed 6.

In the afternoon made an address to the Young Men's Christian Association of Uniontown. At night preached in the Church of the Holy Cross, Uniontown, and confirmed 2.

March 20th. Preached in St. Stephen's, Eutaw, and administered the Holy Communion. At night preached in the same Church, and confirmed 6.

March 21st. Preached in St. Mark's, Boligee, celebrated Holy Communion, and baptized 2 infants.

March 22d. Preached morning and night in St. James' Church, Livingston. The Holy Communion was celebrated at morning service.

March 27th. Preached morning and night in Christ Church, Tuskaloosa. At morning service confirmed 22.

March 29th. Preached in Trinity, Demopolis, and confirmed 3.

April 1st. Preached in St. Paul's, Selma, and confirmed 4.

April 3d. Preached morning and evening in St. Mary's Church, Camden. At morning service celebrated Holy Communion, and confirmed 9.

April 9th. Made address at Lenten Service in St. John's, Montgomery.

April 10th. Preached in the Church of the Holy Comforter, Montgomery.

April 13th. Attended meeting of the Board of Trustees of Noble Institute, at Anniston.

In the afternoon preached in Grace, Anniston, and confirmed 2. At night preached in the Church of St. Michael and All Angels, and confirmed 9.

April 17th. (Easter Sunday.) Preached in St. Paul's, Greensboro, celebrated the Holy Eucharist, and confirmed 2. In the afternoon addressed the Sunday School, and at night preached again in same Church.

April 18th. At Greensboro, confirmed in private 1, Candidate presented by the Rev. Dr. Cobbs. At night preached at Laneville.

April 19th. Preached and celebrated the Holy Communion in St. Wilfrid's Church, Marion.

At night preached again in same Church, and confirmed 9.

April 24th. Preached in St. John's, Montgomery. In the afternoon confirmed 21, (of whom 1 in private.)

May 1st. Preached in the Church of the Holy Comforter, Montgomery, celebrated the Holy Communion and confirmed 22, (of whom 1 from St. John's.)

In the afternoon made an address to Young Men in the hall of the Young Men's Christian Association.

SUMMARY.

Baptisms, Infants 14, Adults 2, Total	16
Confirmations	337
Deacons Ordained	2
Priests Ordained	2

H. MELVILLE JACKSON,

Assistant Bishop of Alabama.

"WALK ABOUT ZION."

A SERMON PREACHED

AT THE SIXTY-FIRST ANNUAL COUNCIL OF THE DIOCESE OF ALABAMA,

MAY 3D, 1892,

BY THE RT. REV. RICHARD H. WILMER, D. D., LL. D., BISHOP OF THE DIOCESE.

Published by resolution of the Council.

Psalm 48, Verses 12, 13, 14.

"Walk about Zion, and go round about her: tell the towers "thereof.

"Mark ye well her bulwarks, consider her palaces; that ye "may tell it to the generation following.

"For this God is our God forever and ever: He will be our "guide even unto death."

Let me say at the outset, for truth and candor require it at my hands, that I invite you to take the walk set before us in the text with a devout and grateful recognition of all that I recognize as good and Divine outside of the walls of this our Zion. I say "*Divine!*" because the fruits of Love and Joy and Peace and Goodness can come from no other source than the Divine Spirit dwelling and working in the sinful heart of man. To deny this is to belittle the office and energy of the Divine Spirit. To ascribe the existence and origin of the Fruits of Holiness to any other than the Divine Power is to bring ourselves into the peril of "blaspheming against the Holy Ghost." I use strong language, for there is great need for an unmistakeable declaration of a truth, which underlies all our hopes of Christian Unity, and justifies the efforts which are now being made to bring about so glorious a consumation.

Nor am I giving expression to my individual opinion only. Our House of Bishops have sent forth a "*Declaration*," looking to Christian Unity, in which they make, among many others of the same tenor, this affirmation.—"Our earnest desire is that

"the Saviour's prayer,—"that we all may be one."—"may, "in "its deepest and truest sense, "be speedily fulfilled: that we be-"lieve that all who have been duly baptized with water in the "Name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost are "members of the Holy Catholic Church."

Such is the declaration in part sent forth to Christendom by our Bishops. And it is in response to a similar Declaration from the Anglican Episcopate, at the "Lambeth Conference" in 1867. It is an effort for the "Peace of Jerusalam."

In the walk about Zion to which I invite you, brethren beloved, and following the order observed in the text, I would ask you to "tell the towers thereof, and to "*mark well her Bulwarks!*"

The first position of strength to which I invite your view is—

THE UNCHANGEABLENESS OF THE FAITH

Which she maintains, whilst, at the same time, affording all needful scope to the *inviduality* of the earnest mind.

The strength of this position can hardly be overestimated.

We can conceive, and know, of systems, which have no settled and indisputable truths, and put no limit to individual opinion and speculation. There is no possible strength or permanency in such systems. What is held to-day, to-morrow may vanish. History is full of illustrations and examples. More *changeful* and evanescent than the traces of the wave upon the seashore is *speculative* opinion!

Or, on the other hand, we may, and do, have in view, systems, which so subject the mind to unquestioning submission, as to divest faith of all virtue, and to substitute in its place its caricature— *Superstition !*

But a position, which shall afford an unchanging foundation for faith, and yet maintain the freedom of the mind and will, is for a system which deals with living and thinking and growing men an incalculable power.

NOW MARK WELL THIS BULWARK!

You will note that, when one is baptized in this Church, a Confession of faith is required and made. What is it? Not a faith in our Articles of religion, nor in our Ritual—nothing so narrow and provincial— but "*Dost thou believe all the Articles of the Christian Faith, as contained in the Apostles' Creed?*" A

Creed, called "The Apostles,'" because it is a summary of those primary and fundamental Truths, which the Apostles delivered from our Lord, and which, at an early day were received by the Universal Church as the necessary faith of a christian man.

All systems which are to endure must have a foundation of first principles— its axioms so to speak, not to be disputed, but indisputable.

What axioms are to Mathematics, Geometry, and the like; what settled principles are to Law, &c., the Creed is to the Christian Religion— The Declaration of the Faith of the Christian man. In a word, the christian man must have the *Christian*, the *Universal*— the *Catholic* Faith!

We hear, often, the words "Catholic" and "Catholicity," and great words they are and should be rightly understood, for we profess our faith in "the Holy Catholic Church."

And I affirm that no branch of the Church can properly and rightly claim for itself full Catholicity unless it can show *two things*— *first*, that it maintains the Catholic Faith, and, *second*, that it demands no more as the necessary faith of a Christian man in order to his Baptism and Fellowship. To leave out, or to add to, the Creed is alike a departure from Catholicity, viz., that which was always, every where, and by all, demanded and professed.

And just here is what all our people should know and estimate at its true value— that this Church can, in the face of Christendom and under the searching light of History, most undeniably affirm that she imposes nothing whatsoever upon the conscience or faith of those whom she incorporates into the Body of Christ, than that which is of universal obligation, and omits nothing in the way of imposed obligations that has not been always required.

MARK WELL THIS TOWER AND BULWARK!

Whilst The Faith is thus maintained, there is a large toleration exercised and allowed in matters of opinion and speculation outside of the Creed. Not from a spirit of indifference, for she has touched these questions and declared herself in her Articles and through her whole Liturgy, but from a wise recognition of the fact that the best men will differ when you come to matters of opinion and interpretation. It is so in matters of

Science. No well informed man calls in question the established facts of Science, but how endless and variant are the theories evolved!

There is thus a necessity for a wise toleration of difference of thought— a necessity which presses whenever men come to think. When men cease to think, there can be no virtue or intelligence in their faith.

To decry the exercise of reason in the service we render to God cannot be acceptable in His sight. It can never be that the first step to the Divine favor is in the abnegation of the highest attribute which the Creator gave to man,—— his intelligence and faculty of reason, whereby he is free to think, free to act; his high responsibility and privilege being that he can render a service, which is all the more acceptable because it is "a reasonable service."

Therefore it is that not from a spirit of indifferentism as to what is believed, but from a wise and large comprehensiveness, that latitude is permitted in matters of speculation. Not that there is any uncertainty in Truth as is commonly thought, but the uncertainty and the cause of differences is in man, in his mental structure and capacity, in his early traditions, and above all in *his ignorance.*

Take those questions, which have divided Christendom. Such, for example, as the Doctrines concerning Election, Predestination, free will and the like,—— thank God they are being relegated to the tombs,—— how should we make these theories matters of faith to a christian man? They are not peculiar to the Christian system. They have sprung up in all ages and under all systems. They are debated with as much subtlety by Brahmins and Soofies in India and Persia as by Polemics at Oxford and Cambridge; showing, conclusively, that they belong to the domain of speculation, and are determined according to the logical structure of men's minds.

All such questions this Church rules out, as not of "The Faith;" and, likewise, all political and sectional questions, which are not of *Faith,* but of the Earth. They have too much of earthly alloy to enter into foundations which shall stand amid all the mutations of time. Building her Faith alone on the *Divine,* she builds upon the *Eternal!* Mark well this bulwark.

THE RULE OF LIFE.

As we proceed on our walk, we are brought into view of another position, which we do well to mark well— the attitude which this Church maintains upon questions of *Morals!*

If the Faith is summed up in the Creed, the law of life is contained in the Ten Commandments, filled out and illuminated by the precepts of Christ, her Head, and declared by Him, her Lord and King, to be comprised in the *two Golden Laws*, upon which "*hang all the Law and the Prophets!*"

In no particular has this Church been more misunderstood and misrepresented than in her position upon questions of morals.

It is alleged that we leave the individual christian too much to his discretion or indiscretion; that we do not adequately regulate his mode of life— especially in his recreations— in a word, that Godly Discipline is not exercised.

If this be our defect, it is a very serious one, for the end of all Religion is to produce soberness, righteousness and godliness of living.

But how can this be best accomplished? By force of law? by what is called sumptuary laws?—by prescribing how our people shall amuse themselves, dress themselves, &c., &c.?

Not at all in this way— not *possibly* in this way! It has been tried in every age, and with *one unvarying result.*

You may put a momentary arrest upon the outward deportment of a society or sect— may even prescribe in the matter of dress and recreation. With what result? *Always one and the same!*

They begin by neglecting the human part of the law; if hard pressed by the hand of discipline, they rebel against it as no authority—; for the human law does not, as the Divine, commend itself to the conscience as holy, just and good;— and they end by defying all restraint— human and Divine.

Such is the uniform result of all sumptuary legislation!

Besides, this effort to legislate men into goodness does not reach the root of the evil. It lops off some of the branches, and they put forth again, and, oftentimes, more vigorously *because of the pruning.* All philosophy teaches this, and all history exemplifies it. A Puritanic age is always succeeded by an age of licentiousness.

You may dam up a stream in one direction, but it will seek another outlet. If the heart be worldly, it will seek some channel; if not in worldly recreations, yet in covetousness.

Repress by Puritanic rule the innocent disportings of youth, and the nature, not changed, will either seek other channels, or break the embankments and spread itself at random. I have never seen so reckless a manhood as in those cases where a childhood had been unduly and unwisely repressed.

The Holy Apostle gives the true solution of this whole matter. He bids his people—"Be not conformed to this world"—How? By laying down specific rules for their mode of life? Not at all in this way; not possibly in this way. No! he was a wise philosopher as well as a devout believer. He knew the mind and the heart of man. The heart must love something, and set its affections on some object, and he solves the whole problem. He writes, "be ye transformed." How? "By the *renewing* of your mind," that ye may prove"—may learn by trial and experience—"what is that good, and acceptable and perfect will of God." In a word, that they might come under the "expulsive power of a new affection," as Chalmers has happily expressed it.

Look now at the example of "The Great Teacher," He deals not so much with *Rules*, as with *Principles*, of conduct. With a Divine wisdom, and knowing what was in man, he sought to supplant all evil by filling the soul with all good; by making the heart pure; by "cleansing the inside of the cup and platter."

That life of Christ is a study worth our deepest attention and imitation. He mingled with men in their joys and their sorrows. He was at their feasts and their funerals. At the wedding feast, He worked His first Miracle, and turned the water into wine. Modern Reformers would have turned their wine to water. It was His prerogative to give the feast; it was their responsibility not to abuse the gift. Here on a small scale is announced the great truth that all good things come of God; and, likewise, that other correlative truth, that whether we eat or drink we must, by temperate enjoyment and due thankfulness, glorify the Creator, and promote our well being.

Because the Giver of all Good creates and lavishes upon Earth all the bounties of His Providence, "Is He therefore responsible for the gluttony of His creatures?"

He was also in the house of mourning, and mingled his tears with those of the sisters at the grave of their brother. So much for His *example.* Now note His *admonitions!* He warns us equally against "the cares" as against—"The pleasures of the world." Just here Puritanism has always failed. Those sumptuary laws which men make in addition to the Divine Law are made for the most part by old men; old men, often full of cares and anxieties, who look with frowning indignation upon the disportings of the young. But, whilst the undue pursuit of pleasure chokes the word, undue carefulness and anxiety destroy, as doth a canker, the very germ of faith and trust.

The Church follows the wholesome example of Our Lord and His Apostles. She touches, in her teachings and Pastorals, all these matters by *counsel and admonition.* There are sins enough without making new ones. Every new *law* makes possible a new *sin!* For sin is the transgression of a Law.

And what snares to the conscience are laws against things not in themselves sinful, but sinful according to circumstances.

Teach the young that certain things are sinful; which in themselves are not so. Make them matters of discipline and Church Communion, and what is the inevitable result? They are practically taught that such prohibitions have the moral force of the Divine Law, and yet they do not so commend themselves to their consciences. In time of temptation they fall away; their consciences thereby are wounded and defiled. Being taught that these things were wrong, they become to *them* wrong. Thus are they thrown off from the obedience of Christ, and are made to lose all their childlike trust and confidence in God, their Father. Alas! all through our country such cases abound—.

But, it will be asked, should we not repress wrong living? Yes, verily, but by *Divine Authority!* There are fearful sins:—things *always* wrong, wrong in their very *nature*—such, e. q., as *Idolatry*, *Profanity*, *Unchastity*, *Irreverence to parents*, *Murder*, *Adultery*, *Thieving*, *Lying*, *Drunkenness*, *Slander* and *Covetousness.* Against all these sins, the Almighty has declared His Will—"*Thou shalt not commit these abominations!*" What will you add to these Laws, which, graven on stone—to indicate their *enduring* obligation—were sent down from on High as the Will and the Law of God?

They are all summed up in two Golden Laws— "love God and love thy neighbor"— the one first and great, because it involves loyalty to The Supreme, the other like unto it in the excellency of its nature, for it is the very bond and cement of society. "*Upon these two Commandments hang all the Law and The Prophets!*"

What will you add to these laws? As well attempt to bolster up the Everlasting Mountains with your little hod of brick and mortar.

Conceive of one living up to these Commandments, illuminated, as they have been, by the example and precepts of "*The Light of the World*—" reverent and obedient to The Creator and Father of all— to His Name, His Word and Day; honoring and succoring father and mother; the body pure and chaste, the hands clean, the lips free from guile and the heart from covetousness! What could you add to a character such as this, or to the Laws by which it is moulded?

We lose sight of the revealed truth that—"*The Law of God is perfect, converting the soul;*" that it as much out of our power to add the *Law* revealed as to the *Faith* revealed.

It is upon such principles that this Branch of Christ's Holy Catholic Church takes her stand— both, as it regards the *Rule of Faith* and the *Rule of Life!* These are Her *Towers* and Her *Bulwarks*— consider them well; both *Divine*, both *Eternal*. These are the *abutments* from which springs the *Arch*, upon which is builded the whole Fabric of Her Rule and Teaching.

Hence it is that she rarely excommunicates. Her mission is to *heal*, not to *destroy*. *Amputation* is the last resort, and then, only, when the evil is *gangrenous*, and threatens the life of the whole body.

And hence, also, when her excommunication falls, it is because the offender has become disloyal and traitorous, and has trampled upon and cast behind him the Law of the Realm.

Then comes out the force and significance of these words, which come down unimpaired through the Ages—"Whatsoever ye shall bind upon Earth shall be bound in Heaven." When can this be true? When that which is *bound on Earth* is bound according to the *Law of Heaven!*"

The truth is that low and unworthy ideas of the nature of the Church of God underlie all such matters that we are now considering. The Church is not an association of men, who, with like views and purposes, band themselves together and make rules for their guidance—a Church Club! It is *God's Kingdom!* in which God's Laws rule and prevail. His only Begotten Son in due time appeared upon Earth and inaugurated, not a new *Kingdom*, but a new *Dispensation*, of that Kingdom which, Divine in its origin, shall know no end. Before His Ascension He gave authority to chosen men to teach, baptize and disciple all nations, with power "to bind and to loose."

Moreover, He instituted a mode by which men should enter His Kingdom, and take the oath of allegiance. When one enters that Kingdom, he becomes a citizen, a child, and an inheritor. You cannot divest him of his vested right save under a *Law of that Kingdom!* Appearances may be against him, and his influence unsavory, but you cannot touch his citizenship, except for infraction of a law of the Realm.

The Ministry forget all this sometimes. They lose sight of their functions of their office. They are not "Detectives" of criminals, but "Pastors and Shepherds" of the flock of Christ.

Many things we have to deplore. Some of our people, as wayward children, will take advantage of the benignity of their mother, and, because she does not bring Law to bear upon them at every turn, will give no heed to Her Counsels, but these are evils, which cannot be avoided. Tares will spring up among the wheat, and we are warned against haste in pulling up the tares, lest in our rashness we pull up the wheat also.

This is not the hour for winnowing the grain.— When the Lord shall come to gather The Faithful, "*The Angels will be the reapers!*"— a good substitute for poor erring men!

Brethren! it is in the light of such teaching that nothing stands out so majestically and enduring as the Towers and Bulwarks of Zion. The Faith and The Law both *revealed*, both *Eternal!*

MARK YE WELL HER BULWARKS!

Another short walk!

CONSIDER HER PALACES—

Not only strong in Her impregnable Towers, but beautiful for situation is Mount Zion, and "The King's Daughter is all glorious *within!*

Every system has something in it which gives its character and stamps it with its genius and gives expression to its spirit. The spirit of This Church is embodied in that wonderful book of The Ages— "*The Book of Common Prayer!*"

We are at times faulted with an overvaluing of this Book. We value it not as Divine, save as it is a transcript and true reflection of the precious Word of God.

What is this Book? By far the larger part of it is a reprint of The Divine Oracles. Leaving out much that is purely Historical, Genealogical and obscurely Prophetical, there is culled from the Sacred Record the most excellent and practical portions of The Gospels and Epistles, with the devotional book of Psalms, and there is given to our people the *cream from the milk of The Word.*"

And as to the uninspired portions—The Holy Offices and Ordinals, the Gloria and Te Deum, the Litany and Collects— how reverential, how Catholic, how Scriptural are they all!

How can we compute its value to the soul that enters into its spirit?

What humility, what reverence, what obedience must there not flow from habitual converse with a book, where there is not a line out of taste, not a word that is not conducive to charity, and that breathes not of reverence and contrition; where the only seemingly invidious expression is in a prayer for "the Jew, the Turk, the Infidel and the Heretic"—and what a loving prayer it is!—"*Fetch them home Blessed Lord to Thy flock,*" that they may be saved through Christ forever!

And then, consider well what knowledge of Holy Scripture is secured by the provision that it shall be read to the people, not according to the Minister's taste and discretion, but in a full presentation of the Sacred Oracles which are brought regularly and consecutively *before the mind* in the Year of the Church,

just as in the revolution of the Earth the Orbs of light are brought to view!

I have often thought, shall it always be a dream?—— what a blessed thing it would be for this our land, sunken as it is, for the most part in ignorance of, and irreverence for, sacred knowledge, if at each recurring Day of the Lord our people could be gathered from mountain and valley and forest and join in the service of God as this Church has provided:—hearken to the Sacred Oracles as they unfold the story of Creation and Redemption:— stand up as one man and rehearse their belief in the Ancient Catholic Creed— the common faith of Christendom: — listen to the commandments of their Creator as they came down from the Mount:— pour forth in united prayer the petition that the Lord would "have mercy upon them and write all these His Laws upon their hearts;"— and with one heart and mind, as children of the one human family, send upward the invocation— there would be joy indeed in the presence of the Angels at the sound— "Our Father which art in Heaven!" Do you know?— it is hardly credible— that vast numbers never rehearse the Creed, never hear the Commandments authoritatively read, and never in their public worship pray as the Lord taught His Disciples. *What a bond of unity is thus lost!*

Then, consider— there is a special force in that word, "*Consider*" — the power of a Scriptural Liturgy to preserve soundness in the Faith. The use of a Liturgy is commonly regarded as a matter of taste and preference. It is vastly more. It is almost, under God, a *question of life.*

Let me suppose a case, and it is not an imaginary one. Let me be the Pastor of a flock, with the influence which one is want to exercise. Let me be at liberty to read from the Scriptures at my discretion. Let me, we will suppose, be unsound in the Faith— a denier of The Divinity of Our Lord. Then from Sunday to Sunday let me read only those portions of Scripture which touch solely the human nature of Christ. By thus doing, and suppressing all that is taught of His Divinity, I present a half-truth, which is often an enormous falsehood.

Then let me select my own hymns and make my own prayers under the same bias, and follow all up with sermons and instructions of like character, and what hinders but that I may

have cut loose my people from their moorings before they suspected where they were drifting. This is not a fancy sketch. Alas! it is the history of a section of our country, and not the most ignorant, which, with all its knowledge and seats of learning, has drifted into Heresy—.

Such a result is scarcely possible where there is a sound, earnest and Evangelical Liturgy. The Holy Faith is so inwrought into the whole texture of worship:— The Doctrines of The Atonement and Divinity of Our Lord do so permeate and interpenetrate all the Anthems and Collects:— there are such constant recurrences of eucharistic and penitential expression:— such tributes of homage and addoration, as in the "Gloria in Excelsis," the key note of which was first struck by the Angels, where we sing "Thou only art Holy, Thou only art The Lord, Thou only, O Christ, art Most High in the Glory of God the Father;" and, as in the "Te Deum," "Thou art the King of Glory, O Christ, Thou are the *Everlasting Son of the Father.*"

How can one, who is not dead to all sense of shame, rise up in the pulpit, after such worship as this, and deny what is so distinctly and majestically expressed?

Believe then what the man may, he must, if not recreant to his vows, lead the worship of his people in the expression of a sound faith.

We live, beloved brethren, not only for ourselves, but, for our children— "The *Generation* following." Our lives die not with us; our worship survives us. We worship, say, in a sound and pure faith; how shall our children worship?

What would the old stern and unyielding Puritan have said had he been told of the Generation to follow him?— of the Christless, Sunless sphere in which it would live and move:— without the glorious sunshine of a Saviour's Atonement and Glorified Divinity?

"Walk now about Zion: mark ye well Her Towers and Bul-
"warks, consider Her Palaces; that ye may tell it to the Gen-
"eration following. For this God is Our God forever and ever:
"He will be our Guide even unto death—*Amen.*

APPENDIX C.

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE BISHOP'S FUND, DIOCESE OF ALABAMA.

The Trustees of the Bishop's Fund submit the following report for the year ending with the meeting of this Council.

The Treasurer's account, accompanying this report, will show the receipts and expenditures for the last year, and the present condition of the Fund.

The principal of the Fund has not been increased, but remains as it was at the last report. Two of the Alabama Coupon Bonds Nos. 6765 and 7050 have been exchanged for one $1000 registered bond No. 1801.

The Hamner Hall property, with the buildings immediately connected with it, has been leased to Professor Starke, for the term of five years, from October, 1891, at an annual rental of $550, payable quarterly. The lease to Professor Starke will not prevent the property from being divided into lots and put on the market for sale, should it be deemed expedient; no sales of lots have been made.

The buildings have been insured for five years, from June 8, 1891, to June 8, 1896, for $5,000. The rents from this property since the last Council have been $384.67, while the expense of repairing and insurance have amounted to $459.00, being $74.33 in excess of the income.

The Trustees believe that it is exceedingly desirable that this property should be divided into lots and sold.

N. H. R. Dawson, J. H. Fitts, H. C. Tompkins, } Trustees.

Mobile, Ala., May 4th, 1892.

Mr. N. H. R. Dawson, *Treasurer*,

In Account with The Trustees of the Bishop's Fund, Diocese of Ala.

1891.		RECEIPTS.	
May 20.	To Cash balance on hand		$ 9 62
July 1.	" Interest on $19,000 Ala. Reg. Bonds		380 00
" 1.	" " " $500 " Coupon Bond		10 00
" 1.	" " " $4,000 City of Selma Bonds		80 00
" 1.	" Rent from Hamner Hall		85 50
Dec. 31.	" Interest on $19,000 Ala. Reg. Bonds		380 00
" 31.	" " " $500 Alabama Coupon Bond		10 00
" 31.	" " " $4,000 City of Selma Bonds		80 00
1892.			
April 16.	To Rent of Hamner Hall to March, 1892		299 17
	Total		$1,334.29

1891.		CREDITS.	
May 22.	By cash paid	H. Smith	$ 1 25
June 29.	" " "	J. L. Cobbs, Treasurer	50
July 2.	" " "	Nelson Ins. Agency for Hamner Hall	180 00
" 9.	" " "	Ellsbery Insurance on " "	45 00
" 10.	" " "	G. A. Wilkins, Treasurer	200 00
1892.			
Jan. 11.	" " "	" " "	500 00
April 14.	" " "	Davison & Joseph Hamner Hall	234 12
" 27.	" " "	G. A. Wilkins, Treasurer	173 42
	Total		$1,334 29

The securities consist of 19 Class "A" registered Alabama Bonds numbered 444, 445, 446, 447, 448, 449, 350, 451, 452, 453, 454, 455, 456, 457, 470, 471, 1589, 1688, 1801, each for $1,000; one Class "A" Alabama Coupon Bond No. 4212 for $500; 8 City of Selma Bonds numbers 441, 442, 443, 444, 445, 446, 447, 448, each for $500.

N. H. R. DAWSON,
Treasurer.

Mobile, Ala., May 3d, 1892.

APPENDIX D.

GEORGE A. WILKINS, *Treasurer,*
In Account with THE DIOCESE OF ALABAMA.

RECEIPTS.

May 20th, 1891. Cash balance on hand	$ 115 83
Collected from Parishes in arrears 1890 and 91	194 00
Received from N. H. R. Dawson, Treasurer Bishop's Fund	873 42
Note Commercial Bank of Selma, due July 31st, 1892	525 00
Collected from Parishes, Assessment of 1891 and 92	5,183 64
Total receipts	$6,891 89

DISBURSEMENTS.

Rt. Rev. R. H. Wilmer, salary for 1891 and 92	$3,000 00
Rt. Rev. Henry M. Jackson, salary for 1891 and 92	3,000 00
Rev. R. H. Cobbs, salary for 1891 and 92	150 00
Mr. George A. Wilkins, for 1891 and 92	50 00
Demand note to Commercial Bank of Selma	150 00
Expenses of the Council of 1890 and 91	15 00
Rev. J. L. Tucker, President Standing Committee	80 00
One-half life insurance premium Bishop Wilmer	122 50
Printing the Journal of the Council of 1890 and 91	231 40
Printing, Stationery and Stamps for Treasurer	19 10
May 3d, 1892, Cash balance on hand	73 89
Total	$6,891 89

PARISHES IN ARREARS ASSESSMENTS OF 1891 AND 92.

Grace Church Parish, Sheffield, Ala.	$ 52 50
Church of the Holy Cross, Uniontown, Ala., (Paid)	15 00
St. Wilfrid's Parish, Marion, Ala., (Paid)	9 00
St. Peter's Parish, Talladega, Ala., (Paid)	31 25
St. Luke's Parish, Scottsboro, Ala.	18 75
St. Mark's Parish, Troy, Ala.	18 75
St. Mary's Parish, Evergreen, Ala.	18 75
St. Paul's Parish, Lowndesboro, Ala.	9 35
St. Luke's Parish, Martin's Station, Ala.	15 00
Grace Church Parish, Trinity Station, Ala.	12 50
Emanuel Parish, Opelika, Ala., (Paid)	20 00
The Ironaton Mission	12 50
St. Alban's Parish, Gainsville, Ala.	6 25
Total	$239 60

APPENDIX E.

CHARLES E. WALLER, *Treasurer*,

In Account with DIOCESAN MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

1891-92.	DR.		
May 21.	To Cash on hand as per Report to last Council		$ 829 56
	To received since last report, as follows:		
	From Grace Church.....Anniston,		
Nov. 4.	By Rev. Philip A. Fitts	$ 20 00	
Apr. 19.	" " " " "	30 00—	50 00
	From St. Michael & All Angels Church..Anniston,		
May 21.	Offering at last Council	$ 65 07	
Feb. 10.	By Rev. Wm. D. Martin	17 00—	82 07
	From the Church of the Holy Innocents..Auburn,		
Jan. 31.	By Rev. O. M. Yerger	$ 2 60	
Feb. 4.	" General James H. Lane, Treas.	2 41	
Apr. 30.	" Rev. O. M. Yerger	2 75—	7 76
	From Christ Church.....Avondale,		
Sept. 2.	By Rev. Thomas Burry	$ 4 00	
Oct. 28.	" " " "	1 80	
Feb. 2.	" " " "	50—	6 30
	From Trinity Church.....Bessemer,		
Feb. 12.	By Rev. Benj. Dennis	$ 6 40—	6 40
	Amount Carried Forward		$ 982 09

		Amount Brought Forward		$ 982 09
		From the Church of the Advent.....Birmingham,		
July	14.	By J. B. Cobbs, Treas.	$ 31 70	
Oct.	13.	" " " "	22 54	
"	15.	" " " "	5 00	
Mch.	8.	" " " "	18 15	
Apr.	4.	" " " "	10 00	
"	18.	" " " "	15 00—	102 39
		From St. Mary's Church.....Birmingham,		
Aug.	10.	By Charley White	$ 1 00—	1 00
		From St. Mark's Church.....Boligee,		
Mch.	22.	By E. F. Bouchelle	$ 2 50	
Apr.	20.	" " "	7 50—	10 00
		From St. Peter's Church.....Bon Secour,		
Apr.	21.	By Rev. J. M. Benedict	$ 1 15—	1 15
		From Mission Station.....Brierfield,		
Nov.	2.	By Rev. J. F. Smith	$ 2 50	
Jan.	29.	" " " "	2 50	
Apr.	20.	" Sunday School, Easter Offering	13 25	
"	21.	" Rev. J. F. Smith	4 00—	22 25
		From St. Alban's Church.....Brown's Station,		
Oct.	22.	By Rt. Rev. H. M. Jackson, D. D.	$ 10 00—	10 00
		From St. Mary's Church.....Camden,		
July	6.	By Hon. James T. Beck	$ 1 65—	1 65
		From St. Paul's Church.....Carlowville,		
Aug.	21.	By Isaac Youngblood, Treas	$ 37 05	
Dec.	9.	" " " "	36 15	
Apr.	20.	" " " "	63 80—	137 00
		From Mission Station.....Cleveland,		
Apr.	19.	By Rev. Benj. Dennis	$ 2 25—	2 25
		From St. John's Church.....New Decatur,		
Feb.	17.	By Geo. A. Hoff, Treas	$ 5 67—	5 67
		From Trinity Church.....Demopolis,		
Oct.	19.	By Rev. John A. Harrison, D. D.	$ 10 90	
"	23.	" " " " "	6 00	
Mch.	31.	" " " " "	17 00	
Apr.	22.	" Sunday School Easter Offering	24 50—	58 40
		From Mission Station.....Elyton,		
Mch.	12.	By Rev. Benj. Dennis	$ 5 70—	5 70
		From St. Stephen's Church.....Eutaw,		
Mch.	12.	By B. B. Barnes, Treas	$ 9 90—	9 90
		From St. Mary's Church.....Evergreen,		
Aug.	8.	By Rev. G. R. Upton	$ 3 20	
Nov.	16.	" " " "	1 00—	4 20
		Amount Carried Forward		$1,353 65

	Amount Brought Forward		$1,853 65
	From St. Michael's Church.....Faunsdale,		
Mch. 16.	By Rev. Joseph F. John.....	$ 10 30	
" 26.	" " " " "	5 00	
" 31.	" " " " "	1 00—	16 30
	From Trinity Church.....Florence,		
Nov. 30.	By R. L. Bliss, Sr. Warden.....	$ 30 00	
Feb. 8.	" " " " "	19 22—	49 22
	From St. Luke's Church.....Fort Payne,		
Sept. 23.	By Rev. Thomas. Burry.....	$ 2 80	
Oct. 28.	" " " "	1 75—	4 55
	From Mission Station.....Gadsden,		
Nov. 23.	By Otto Agricola.....	$ 1 10	
Dec. 22.	" Jos. Balfour.....	2 35—	3 45
	From St. Andrew's Church.....Gallion,		
July 20.	By Rev. R. H. Cobbs, D. D.....	$ 4 70	
Aug. 17.	" " " " "	3 20	
" 31.	" " " " "	1 00	
Sept. 24.	" " " " "	2 60	
Nov. 18.	" " " " "	3 90	
Dec. 22.	" " " " "	2 50	
Jan. 31.	" " " " "	2 20	
Mch. 21.	" " " " "	4 55	
Apr. 11.	" " " " "	1 60—	26 25
	From St. Paul's Church.....Greensboro,		
June 18.	By Offering, Bishop Jackson's visitation.....	$ 12 00	
Nov. 4.	" R. H. Stickney, Treas.....	141 40	
" 30.	" " " "	25 00	
Jan. 31.	" " " "	52 85	
Feb. 29.	" " " "	32 20	
Mch. 31.	" " " "	24 75	
Apr. 18.	" Sunday School Easter Offering.....	30 00	
" 27.	" R. H. Stickney, Treas.....	22 65—	340 85
	From St. Thomas' Church.....Greenville,		
May 21.	By Rev. G. R. Upton.....	$ 5 00	
Aug. 8.	" " " "	3 65	
Nov. 16.	" " " "	1 00	
Apr. 4.	" " " "	5 00	
" 27.	" " " "	25 00—	39 65
	From St. Andrew's Church.....Hayneville,		
Nov. 16.	By Rev. G. R. Upton.....	$ 1 00—	1 00
	From the Church of the Nativity.....Huntsville,		
June 17.	By Luke Mathews, Treas.....	$ 34 25	
July 23.	" " " "	25 75—	60 00
	Amount Carried Forward.....		$1,894 92

	Amount Brought Forward		$1,894 92
	From the Church of the Nativity.....Huntsville,		
Aug. 28.	By Luke Mathews, Treas.	$ 16 36	
Sept. 21.	" " " "	14 25	
Oct. 13.	" " " "	40 00	
Nov. 14.	" " " "	25 50	
Dec. 18.	" " " "	27 25	
Feb. 12.	" " " "	20 00	
" 20.	" " " "	40 52	
Mch. 8.	" " " "	27 16	
Apr. 7.	" " " "	25 00	
" 27.	" " " "	25 00—	261 04
	From St. Luke's Church.....Jacksonville,		
Aug. 5.	By J. H. Edwards, Sec'y	$ 10 65	
Nov. 11.	" " " "	6 85	
Jan. 29.	" Rev. W. T. Allen	2 00	
Mch. 10.	" A. F. Williams, Treas.	5 10	
Apr. 11.	" " " "	8 00—	32 60
	From St. James' Church.....Livingston,		
Apr. 26.	By Rev. J. J. Harris	$ 45 00—	45 00
	From St. Wilfrid's Church.....Marion,		
Apr. 30.	By R. H. Evins, Treas.	$ 9 35—	9 35
	From St. Luke's Church.....Martin's Station,		
Oct. 22.	By Rev. R. H. Cobbs, D. D.	$ 11 50—	11 50
	From Trinity Church.....Mobile,		
Oct. 1.	By Chas. Allen, Sec'y and Treas.	$ 22 05	
Nov. 4.	" " " " " "	17 05	
Dec. 9.	" Robt. Middleton	16 60	
Feb. 29.	" Chas. Allen, Sec'y and Treas.	28 65	
Apr. 21.	" " " " " "	19 00—	103 35
	From St. John's Church.....Mobile,		
Aug. 13.	By Rev. Gardiner C. Tucker	$ 20 00	
Nov. 4.	" " " " "	15 00	
Dec. 9.	" Robt. Middleton	16 60	
Feb. 10.	" Rev. Gardiner C. Tucker	16 00	
Apr. 8.	" " " " "	10 00	
" 29.	" Sunday School, Easter Offering	25 00—	102 60
	From Christ Church.....Mobile,		
May 22.	By Mrs. Mary C. Gibson, Treas.	$ 16 25	
Aug. 8.	" " " " " "	20 00	
Oct. 22.	" J. L. Abbot, Jr., Treas.	50 00	
Dec. 9.	" Robt. Middleton	16 60	
Jan. 28.	" Mrs. Mary C. Gibson, Treas.	30 00	
" 21.	" Mrs. H. J. Campbell, Treas.	20 00—	152 85
	Amount Carried Forward		$2,613 21

	Amount Brought Forward		$2,613 21
	From Christ Church.....Mobile,		
Apr. 22.	" J. L. Abbott, Jr., Treas.	$200 00	
" 28.	" Mrs. H. J. Campbell, Treas.	25 00—	225 00
	From Mission Station.....Montevallo,		
July 30.	By Mrs. French Nabors, Treas.	$ 8 50	
Nov. 2.	" Rev. J. F. Smith	2 15	
Jan. 29.	" " " "	2 50	
Apr. 22.	" " " "	4 00—	17 15
	From St. John's Church.....Montgomery,		
Dec. 1.	By Rev. H. Stringfellow, D. D.	$100 00	
Feb. 9.	" " " " "	100 00	
Apr. 30.	" " " " "	500 00—	700 00
	From the Ch. of the Holy Comforter..Montgomery,		
June 5.	By C. C. Cobbs, Treas.	$ 9 90	
July 4.	" " " "	9 15	
" 18.	" " " "	10 70	
Sept. 11.	" " " "	7 10	
" 19.	" " " "	7 40	
Oct. 12.	" " " "	11 65	
Nov. 21.	" " " "	8 70	
Dec. 1.	" " " "	9 00	
" 12.	" " " "	7 75	
Jan. 29.	" " " "	7 75	
Feb. 9.	" " " "	12 80	
Mch. 11.	" " " "	14 80	
Apr. 16.	" " " "	16 50—	133 20
	From Woman's Diocesan Auxiliary Society,		
Aug. 19.	By Mrs. F. H. Warren, Sec'y	$ 33 85	
Apr. 30.	" " " " President	38 28—	72 13
	From Emanuel Church.....Opelika,		
Jan. 31.	By Rev. O. M. Yerger	$ 2 18	
Mch. 21.	" James Clayton	7 20	
Apr. 30.	" " O. M. Yerger	8 35—	17 73
	From Christ Church.....Piedmont,		
July 30.	By Charles McCollister	$ 1 31	
Apr. 37.	" A. "	3 69	
" 29.	" " "	3 70—	8 70
	From St. Andrew's Church.....Prattville,		
Nov. 2.	By Rev. J. F. Smith	$ 3 60	
Jan. 29.	" " " "	5 50	
Apr. 26.	" " " "	7 50—	16 60
	Amount Carried Forward		$3,803 72

	Amount Brought Forward		$3,806 72
	From St. Paul's Church.....Selma,		
Aug. 20.	By Geo. A. Wilkins, Treas.	$ 11 00	
Sept. 17.	" " " " "	37 50	
Oct. 13.	" " " " "	28 65	
Nov. 18.	" " " " "	32 80	
Jan. 6.	" " " " "	42 75	
" 21.	" " " " "	22 20	
Mch. 2.	" " " " "	57 90	
" 16.	" " " " "	31 95	
" 31.	" " " " "	34 10	
Apr. 13.	" " " " "	112 60	
" 27.	" " " " "	10 25—	421 70
	From Grace Church.....Sheffield,		
June 8.	By R. C. Randolph	$ 4 60—	4 60
	From St. Paul's Church.....Spring Hill,		
Mch. 30.	By Wm. W. Field, Treas.	$ 15 00—	15 00
	From Mission Station.....Sylacauga,		
Jan. 29.	By Rev. J. F. Smith	$ 10 00	
Apr. 22.	" " " "	6 00—	16 00
	From St. Peter's Church.....Talladega,		
July 27.	By Rev. J. F. Smith	$ 14 00	
Nov. 7.	" Mrs. E. D. Bingham, Treas.	2 67	
" 30.	" " " " "	4 55	
Dec. 28.	" " " " "	2 55	
Jan. 27.	" " " " "	1 22	
Feb. 26.	" " " " "	4 51	
Mch. 26.	" " " " "	3 20	
Apr. 27.	" " " " "	2 35—	35 05
	From Grace Church.....Tilden,		
July 14.	By Rev. F. B. Lee	$ 5 05	
Nov. 10.	" " " "	4 80—	9 85
	From Christ Church.....Tuscaloosa,		
Dec. 7.	By J. H. Fitts, Treas.	$ 57 05	
Mch. 29.	" R. H. Cochrane, Treas.	21 40	
Apr. 20.	" " " "	71 00—	149 45
	From St. John's Church.....Tuscumbia,		
Aug. 10.	By Mrs. E. B. Almon, Treas.	$ 7 50	
Feb. 4.	" " " " "	5 40	
Apr. 2.	" " " " "	12 35—	25 15
	From Trinity Church.....Union Springs,		
Apr. 19.	By Mrs. R. L. Hoody, Treas.	$ 32 80—	32 80
	From the Church of the Holy Cross...Uniontown,		
Mch. 16.	By Rev. Joseph F. John	$ 13 35—	13 35
	Amount Carried Forward		$4,526 67

	Amount Brought Forward		$4,526 67
	From St. Paul's Church.....Whistler,		
Feb. 6.	By Rev. J. M. Benedict.....	$ 3 00	
Apr. 21.	" " " "	5 10—	8 10
	From Grace Church Mission.....Woodlawn,		
Sept. 2.	By Rev. Thomas Burry.....	$ 1 00	
Oct. 28.	" " " "	35	
Feb. 2.	" " " "	97	
Mch. 1.	" " " "	3 06—	5 38
	Total Debits.....		$4,540 15

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	By Rev. O. M. Yerger, (Opelika, Auburn and Phoenix City.)		
Dec. 2.	For two-thirds of quarter ending Oct. 31, 1891,	$ 66 66	
Feb. 11.	" quarter ending Jan. 31, 1892.....	100 00	
Apr. 23.	" " " April 30, "	100 00—	$ 266 66
	By Rev. H. A. Skinner, (Eufaula Mission, &c.)		
July 31.	" quarter ending July 31, 1891.....	$100 00—	100 00
	By Rev. J. F. Smith, (Evangelist, Brierfield, &c.)		
July 31.	" quarter ending July 31, 1891, (Missionary)..	$125 00	
Sept. 18.	" " " " " " (Evangelist...	57 32	
Nov. 9.	" " " Oct. " "	182 32	
Feb. 11.	" " " Jan. " 1892.....	182 32	
Apr. 23.	" " " April 30, "	182 32—	729 28
	By Rev. De B. Waddell, (Tuscumbia and Sheffield.)		
July 31.	For quarter ending July 31, 1891.....	$ 25 00	
Nov. 23.	" two-thirds of quarter ending Oct. 31, 1891.	16 66—	41 66
	By Rev. Thomas Burry, (Tuscumbia, &c.)		
Apr. 23.	" one-third of quarter ending April 30, 1892..	$16 66—	16 66
	By Rev. J. C. Johnes, (Gadsden, Attalla and Ashville.)		
Nov. 27.	For quarter ending Oct. 31, 1891.....	$100 00	
Feb. 11.	" " " Jan. " 1892.....	100 00—	200 00
	By Rev. Thomas Burry, (Woodlawn, Avondale and Jasper.)		
July 31.	In part of allowance.....	$100 00	
Aug. 31.	" " " "	100 00	
Oct. 13.	" " " "	100 00	
Nov. 9.	" " " "	100 00—	400 00
	By Rev. Benj. Dennis, (Bessemer, Blocton, &c.)		
July 20.	For quarter ending July 31, 1891, (in part)....	$100 00	
Sept. 7.	" " " " " " (in full).....	25 00	
Nov. 9.	" " " Oct. " "	125 00	
Feb. 11.	" " " Jan. " 1892.....	108 32	
Apr. 23.	" " " April 30, "	75 00—	433 32
	Amount Carried Forward.....		$2,187 57

	Amount Brought Forward		$2,187 58
	By Rev. W. R. Dye, (Eutaw and Marion.)		
July 31.	" quarter ending July 31, 1891	$ 68 75	
Dec. 2.	" two-thirds of quarter ending Oct. 31, 1891.	45 82—	114 57
	By Rev. T. Alex. Payne, (Eutaw and Marion.)		
Feb. 11.	" quarter ending Jan. 31, 1892	$ 68 75	
Apr. 23.	" " " April 30, "	68 75—	137 50
	By Rev. W. T. Allen, (Talladega, Jacksonville, &c.)		
July 29.	For quarter ending July 31, 1891	$100 00	
Nov. 18.	" " " Oct. " "	50 00	
Feb. 11.	" " " Jan. " 1892 & bal. on last qr.	100 00	
Apr. 23.	" " " April 30, "	75 00—	325 00
	By Rev. G. R. Upton, (Lowndesboro, Hayneville, &c.)		
July 31.	For quarter ending July 31, 1891	$ 25 00	
Nov. 23.	" " " Oct. 31, "	25 00	
Feb. 11.	" " " Jan. 31, 1892	25 00	
Apr. 23.	" " " April 30, "	25 00—	100 00
	By Rev. F. B. Lee, (Tilden, Dallas County.)		
July 31.	For quarter ending July 31, 1891	$ 50 00	
Nov. 10.	" " " Oct. 31, "	50 00	
Feb. 11.	" " " Jan. 31, 1892	50 00	
Apr. 23.	" " " April 30, "	50 00—	200 00
	By Rev. P. W. Jones, (Whistler, Fowl River, &c.)		
July 31.	For quarter ending July 31, 1891	$ 75 00	
Nov. 9.	" " " Oct. 31, "	75 00—	150 00
	By Rev. J. M. Benedict, (Whistler, Fowl River, &c.)		
Feb. 11.	For two-thirds quarter ending Jan. 31, 1892	$ 50 00	
Apr. 23.	" quarter ending April 30, 1892	75 00—	125 00
	By Rev. William A. Stickney,		
Jan. 4.	Travelling expenses to and from Eutaw	$ 6 05	
Feb. 27.	" " " " " Livingston	4 75—	10 80
	By Rail Road Fare of Members of Board to and from Birmingham,		
Aug. 11.	Rev. J. M. Banister, D. D.	$ 10 00	
	" R. H. Cobbs, D. D.	4 00	
	Hon. Daniel Coleman	10 00	
	Charles E. Waller	2 10—	26 10
	By Rail Road Fare of Members of Board to and from Montgomery,		
Dec. 1.	Rev. J. L. Tucker, D. D.	$ 10 50	
	" R. H. Cobbs, D. D.	5 00	
	" Erastus W. Spalding, D. D.	3 20	
	" Thomas J. Beard	4 00	
	Charles E. Waller	4 40—	27 10
	Amount Carried Forward		$3,403 65

	Amount Brought Forward		$3,403 65
	By Rail Road Fare of Members of Board to and from Montgomery,		
Feb. 9.	Rev. R. H. Cobbs, D. D.	$ 7 00	
	" Erastus W. Spalding, D. D.	3 20	
	" Thomas J. Beard	6 25	
	" Charles E. Waller	6 00—	22 45
June 2.	By T. L. Eastburn & Sons, for collection books		6 00
Apr. 30.	" Express on collection books, postage & exchange		12 50
	Total amount paid out		$3,444 60
April 30, 1892.	By Cash on hand to balance		1,095 55
	Total		$4,540 15

CHARLES E. WALLER,
Treasurer.

APPENDIX F.

JNO. L. COBBS, (*Treasurer for Alabama,*)

In account with UNIVERSITY OF THE SOUTH.

1891.		DR.	
June 15.	To Cash from	Rev. T. J. Beard, Ch. of Advent, Birm'ham.	$ 5 00
July 15.	" " "	" F. B. Lee, Carlowville	12 30
" 17.	" " "	St. Marks' Ch. Boligee, by T. B. Hill	2 50
" 29.	" " "	Church of the Nativity, Huntsville	16 00
" 30.	" " "	Mrs. M. O. Morgan	10 00
Aug. 20.	" " "	Rev. P. A. Fitts, Grace Church, Anniston	20 00
Sept. 1.	" " "	" T. J. Beard, Ch. of Advent, Birm'ham.	6 00
Nov. 9.	" " "	Church of Holy Comforter, Montgomery	10 00
Dec. 5.	" " "	St. Paul's Church, Greensboro	15 25
" 5.	" " "	St. Andrew's Church, Gallion	8 75
1892.			
Apr. 12.	" " "	Rev. J. L. Lancaster, Charlottsville, Va.	25 00
" 20.	" " "	" J. A. Harrison, Trinity Ch. Demopolis.	21 65
" 29.	" " "	" W. D. Martin, St. M. & All A. Annis'n.	10 28
	Total		$162 73

1891.		Cr.	
June	15.	By Amt. remitted Rev. W. P. DuBose, Treas. Uni. of South	$ 5 00
July	15.	" " " " " " " " " "	12 80
"	17.	" " " " " " " " " "	2 50
"	29.	" " " " " " " " " "	16 00
"	30.	" " " " " " " " " "	10 00
Aug.	20.	" " " " " " " " " "	20 00
Sept.	1.	" " " " " " " " " "	6 00
Nov.	9.	" " " " " " " " " "	10 00
Dec.	5.	" " " " " " " " " "	24 00
1892.			
Apr.	16.	" " " " " " " " " "	25 00
"	20.	" " " " " " " " " "	21 65
"	29.	" " " " " " " " " "	10 28
		Total	$162 73

Respectfully submitted,

JNO. L. COBBS,

Montgomery, Ala., May 2d, 1892. Treasurer.

APPENDIX G.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE SOCIETY FOR THE RELIEF OF DISABLED CLERGYMEN AND OF THE WIDOWS AND ORPHANS OF DECEASED CLERGYMEN.

MOBILE, ALA., MAY 4TH, 1892.

The Society was called to order by the Rt. Rev. President, and a quorum was found to be present. The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The Rev. R. H. Cobbs was nominated and elected Secretary.

The Executive Committee reported that since the last meeting they had instructed the Treasurer to pay the following sums.

Rev. F. B. Lee	$100 00
Mrs. Porter	50 00
Mrs. Robertson	50 00
Miss Robertson	50 00
Mrs. J. H. Stringfellow	100 00
The Children of Mrs. J. H. Stringfellow	100 00
Mrs. Mower	100 00
Misses Ticknor	50 00
Total	$600 00

The Treasurer presented his Report which was read, and on motion, was referred to a committee consisting of Messrs. J. H. Fitts and R. H. Stickney, with instructions to report to the Executive Committee.

R. M. Nelson was nominated and elected Treasurer of the Society, and Rev. R. W. Barnwell and Mr. C. E. Waller was nominated and elected members of the Executive Committee.

On motion, the Council adjourned "*sine die.*"

R. H. COBBS, Secretary. RICH'D H. WILMER, President.

R. M. NELSON, *Treasurer*,

In Account with THE SOCIETY FOR THE RELIEF OF DISABLED CLERGYMEN AND OF THE WIDOWS AND ORPHANS OF DECEASED CLERGYMEN.

RECEIPTS.

May 20th, 1891. Cash balance on hand		$ 746 93
July interest on $18,000 Ala. State Bonds		360 00
Jan. " " $18,000 " " "		360 00
Life membership dues from W. W. Stringfellow		50 00
" " " " Joel White		50 00
ANNUAL DUES FROM		
Chas. E. Waller, Greensboro, Ala	$ 5 00	
Alonzo Hill, Tuskaloosa, Ala	5 00	
J. D. Alison, Carlowville, Ala	5 00	
E. G. G. Roberts, Anniston, Ala	5 00	
C. A. Smith, Gallion, Ala	5 00	
John G. Murray, Selma, Ala	5 00	
Robert Middleton, Mobile, Ala	5 00	
Mrs. Susan T. McMillan, Anniston, Ala	5 00	
Henry A. Tayloe, Gallion, Ala	5 00—	$ 45 00
COLLECTED FROM		
St. John's Parish, Montgomery, Ala	$89 00	
Christ Church Parish, Mobile, Ala	64 60	
Church of the Advent, Birmingham, Ala	20 00	
St. Paul's Parish, Selma, Ala	19 45	
Church of the Nativity, Huntsville, Ala	17 00	
Trinity Church Parish, Mobile, Ala	15 00	
St. Paul's Parish, Carlowville, Ala	13 60	
Trinity Parish, Demopolis, Ala	13 45	
St. Michael and All Angels Parish, Anniston, Ala	11 29	
Trinity Church Parish, Union Springs, Ala	10 00	
Grace Church Parish, Anniston, Ala	10 00	
St. Peter's Parish, Talladega, Ala	7 00—	290 39
Amount Carried Forward		$1,902 32

Amount Brought Forward		$1,902 32
St. John's Parish, Forkland, Ala.	6 15	
St. Michael's Parish, Faunsdale, Ala.	5 30	
St. Andrew's Parish, Gallion, Ala.	5 00	
St. Paul's Parish, Greensboro, Ala.	5 00	
Church of the Holy Comforter, Montgomery, Ala.	5 00	
St. James' Parish, Eufaula, Ala.	3 10	
Church of the Holy Cross, Uniontown, Ala.	3 05	
Church of the Good Shepherd, Mobile, Ala.	2 00	
Grace Church Parish, Clayton, Ala.	1 00 —	$ 35 60
Total receipts		$1,937 92

DISBURSEMENTS.

Rev. F. B. Lee, Carlowville, Ala.	$ 100 00
Mrs. Ellen Porter	50 00
Mrs. J. M. Robertson	50 00
Miss Mary Robertson	50 00
Mrs. James H. Stringfellow	100 00
Mrs. B. F. Mower	100 00
Misses Ticknor	50 00
The children of Mrs. James H. Stringfellow	100 00
Total disbursements to beneficiaries	$ 600 00
*Invested in Class A. Ala. Bond No. 6574	512 50
May 3d, 1892. Cash balance on hand	825 42
Total	$1,937 92

*In hands of W. H. Ross.

Selma, Ala., May A. D. 1892.

R. M. NELSON,
Treasurer.

APPENDIX H.

Report of Trustee for Evangelist.

To the Council of the Diocese of Alabama :

On the 1st of June, 1891, a resolution was adopted by the Council, appointing a committee "to formulate and carry out a plan for placing an Evangelist in the Diocese and maintaining him for the space of not less than twelve months."

After consultation with some of our prominent Laymen, the committee came to the conclusion, that in order to obtain a suitable Clergyman for this position, it would be necessary to secure in cash or by pledges, a sum suffi-

cient, to pay him a good salary for at least three years; and that this could be accomplished best, by forming a society of adults male communicants for sustaining an evangelist.

With the purpose of forming such a society, the committee prepared a circular letter, of which the following is a copy.

100 W. FRANKLIN ST., RICHMOND, VA., MAY 28, 1891.

J. H. FITTS, Esq., Tuskaloosa, Ala.,

MY DEAR MR. FITTS:—I desire to express to you my great gratification upon your appointment, by the Council, as a Committee of Ways and Means to secure for the Diocese of Alabama an Evangelist, and my pleasure that you have accepted the important trust thus committed to you.

In my judgment, a good Evangelist is at present the great need of the Diocese. So large a part of our flock is scattered— a few families in this town and a few in that— so many towns and important villages are unoccupied and so many with but occasional services, that an Evangelist would seem almost indispensable.

Vacant Churches which we cannot embrace in any missionary field, and which are too weak to be self-supporting, could have the occasional services of the Evangelist to their great comfort.

In the new towns of the State we have the most favorable opportunity for establishing the Church, and the agency of an Evangelist, in this work, is too apparent to need comment.

But even in the established parishes, in the conduct of Missions to stimulate the zeal of the faithful and to awaken the unconverted, an Evangelist could do a great work.

I can do no more than sketch, in outline, the importance of securing such an agency in our work; but I am sure the great advantages to accrue from the labors of such an officer, will be apparent to our intelligent laymen. And I do trust that they will contribute generously to this cause. I am sure they will. One of the most hopeful signs I see, is the great earnestness of the laity, and their readiness for aggressive work.

Wishing you all success, and begging you to believe that I am ready to further it, in all ways,

I am very truly, yours,

H. M. JACKSON.

TUSKALOOSA, ALA.,.....1891.

To Mr.....Ala.

DEAR SIR:—The resolution on the next page, will inform you of the duty which has been imposed on me by the Council of the Diocese at its last session. The letter from Bishop Jackson explains fully the great importance and necessity of the services of an Evangelist, in order to enable him to carry on properly the work of the Church throughout the Diocese.

The plan which I have suggested, and which meets the approval of many of our prominent laymen, is to form a Society of adults male communicants for sustaining an Evangelist.

In order to obtain a suitable clergyman for this position, provision will have to be made by the Society, for his support for the period of three years, and it is believed the sum of $7,500 will be required. It is eminently meet and right that the adult male communicants should be united in some active Church work in the Diocese, outside of their respective parishes, for a united effort in such a work as this, will not only promote greatly the growth of the Church in the State, but will also prove to be a blessing to each individual member.

Contributions for the support of an Evangelist, will be received from the ladies and from any other persons, or from any of the Sunday Schools, and will be thankfully acknowledged, for it is by no means the object, in forming this Society, to deprive others of the privilege of assisting in this good work, but is is simply intended and designed, that the responsibility of successfully carrying out this object shall devolve upon the adult male communicants of the Diocese.

I earnestly appeal to you, to feel and realize that the success of this plan depends upon the co-operation of each communicant, and request that you will signify your willingness to become a member of the "Society for Sustaining an Exangelist," by remitting to me, as Trustee, such an amount as you propose to pay, annually, for three years, and return the within notes, filled for the same amount, payable in one and two years.

"If thou has't much give plenteously; if thou has't little, do thy diligence gladly to give of that little, for so gatherest thou thyself a good reward in the day of adversity."

Faithfull yours,

J. H. FITTS, Trustee.

"RESOLVED, That Mr. J. H. Fitts be appointed a Committee to formulate and carry out a plan for placing an Evangelist in the Diocese, and maintaining him for the space of not less than twelve months."

A true copy of a Resolution passed at the last Council of the Diocese of Alabama, June 1st, 1891.

R. H. COBBS, Secretary.

This circular letter has been sent to all the laymen of the Diocese whose names and addresses could be obtained. Replies have been received from twenty-six persons, who sent contributions and expressed their willingness to become members of this society.

The account herewith submitted will give the names of the members and the sum subscribed by each, and will also show the total amount of cash collected up to this date, which is.....$1,489 52
The disbursements for stationery, printing, postage and traveling expenses, as per vouchers, amount to..... 29 75

Leaving a balance in the hands of the Trustee, of.....$1,459 77
Notes due in 1892, (list herewith submitted)..... 115 33
" " " 1893, (" " ")..... 523 83

Total amount of cash and notes.....$2,098 93

Respectfully submitted,

J. H. FITTS,

Tuskaloosa, Ala., May 2d, 1992. Trustee for Evangelist.

J. H. FITTS, *Trustee, In Account with* FUND FOR THE EVANGELIST.

1891.		DR.	
June	12.	To Cash from J. H. Fitts	$ 100 00
"	13.	" " " Josiah Morris & Co	600 00
"	13.	" " " Geo. A. Wilkins	10 00
"	15	" " " Fleming D. Tinsley	5 00
"	16.	" " " R. H. Pearson	100 00
"	16.	" " " J. D. Alison	2 00
"	24.	" " " D. G. Dunklin	10 00
"	25.	" " " J. D. Alison, Jr	5 00
"	26.	" " " Sam'l A. Reynolds	2 50
"	26.	" " " R. H. Stickney	25 00
July	15.	" " " N. H. R. Dawson	33 33
"	15.	" " " Assistant Bishop H. M. Jackson	10 00
"	20.	" " " J. B. Christian	5 00
Aug.	3.	" " " Mrs. H. M. Jackson	10 00
"	5.	" " " Isaac Youngblood	2 00
"	25.	" " " D. Stephenson	25 00
Sept.	23.	" " " Jas. B. Jones	20 00
Nov.	17.	" " " W. A. Bibb	5 00
"	20.	" " " J. D. Alison	6 75
"	21.	" " " F. S. Parker	5 00
"	23.	" " " James Pickens	10 00
"	27.	" " " Thos. S. Fry	10 00
Dec.	16.	" " " Judge Jas. T. Green	10 00
1892.			
Jan.	20.	To Amt. of note D. Partridge, Jr., due Feb. 1, 1892	15 00
"	30.	" " " " R. H. Stickney, " " 1, "	25 00
		Amount Carried Forward	$1,051 58

		Amount Brought Forward	$1,051 58
Feb.	8.	To Amt. of note Thos. Cobbs, due Feb. 1, 1892	5 00
"	8.	" " " " J. A. Van Hoose, " " 1, "	50 00
"	8.	" " " " R. H. Pearson, " " 1, "	100 00
"	10.	" " " " F. S. Fry, " " 1, "	5 00
"	10.	" " " " S. B. Clark, " " 1, "	10 00
"	10.	" " " " Joel S. White, " " 1, "	50 00
"	8.	" " " " H. C. Tompkins, " " 1, "	10 00
"	13.	" " " " J. D. Alison, " " 1, "	5 00
"	15.	" " " " J. H. Fits, " " 1, "	100 00
"	15.	" " " 2 " R. P. Lockhart, " " 1, "	11 00
"	15.	" " " " L. C. Elebash, " " 1, "	2 50
"	11.	" " " " W. H. Trimby, " " 1, "	2 50
"	15.	" " " " C. W. Howell, " " 1, "	3 00
"	15.	" " " " R. N. Marbry, " " 1, "	5 00
"	15.	" " " " C. D. Hunter, " " 1, "	10 00
"	15.	" " " " Geo. A. Wilkins, " " 1, "	10 00
"	15.	" " " " F. D. Tinsley, " " 1, "	5 00
"	15.	" " " " Daniel S. Partridge, " " 1, "	25 00
"	19.	" " " " J. R. Robertson, " " 1, "	10 00
"	19.	" " " " Geo. W. Taylor, " " 1, "	2 50
"	19.	" Cash of Wm. R. Ross	5 00
Apr.	6.	" Amt. of note J. D. Alison, due Feb. 1, 1891	2 00
"	22.	" Cash of A. Glover	2 00
"	29.	" " " St. Michael and All Angels Sunday School	7 44
		Total	$1,489 52

1891.		Cr.	
Jan.	6.	By Amt. to Wm. Miller, P. M. Postage	$ 5 00
July	1.	" " " Chas. Fitts, Stationery	3 90
"	2.	" " " Jno. F. Warren, Printing	8 00
Sept.	26.	" " " T. H. Miller, Postage	3 00
Oct.	10.	" " " J. H. Fitts, Expenses	7 85
Nov.	24.	" " " Chas. Fitts, 1000 Envelopes	2 00
			$ 29 75
May 2, 1892.		To balance in hands of Trustee	1,459 77
		Total	$1,489 52

J. H. FITTS, Trustee.

NOTES DUE IN 1892.

W. A. Bibb	$ 10 00
Saml. A. Reynolds, 2 notes $2.50 each	5 00
D. G. Dunklin	10 00
Saml. Noble, Jr.	5 00
James T. Greene	10 00
Bishop H. M. Jackson	10 00
John H. Cobbs	5 00
H. D. Clayton	5 00
Mrs. H. M. Jackson	10 00
Isaac Youngblood	2 00
F. G. Stickney	5 00
J. B. Christian	5 00
N. H. R. Dawson, due July 1st, 1892	33 33
Total	$115 33

NOTES DUE FEBRUARY 1ST, 1893.

Bishop H. M. Jackson $10. Mrs. H. M. Jackson $10	$ 20 00
C. W. Howell $3. C. D. Hunter $10	13 00
R. H. Mabry $5. Isaac Youngblood $2	7 00
D. Partridge $15. R. H. Stickney $25	40 00
J. B. Christian $5. Robt. P. Lockhart $10	15 00
H. C. Tompkins $10. J. H. Fitts $100	110 00
H. D. Clayton $5. F. D. Tinsley $5. J. D. Alison $2	12 00
R. H. Pearson $100. Geo. A. Wilkins $10	110 00
James B. Jones $10. J. D. Alison, Jr. $5	15 00
F. G. Stickney $10. Saml. Nobles, Jr. $5	15 00
Robt. P. Lockhart $1. W. H. Tinsley $2.50	3 50
Daniel Partridge $25. John H. Cobbs $5	30 00
W. A. Bibb $10. D. Grims P. Etebush $2.50	12 50
Joel White $50. J. S. Wilkle $5	55 00
F. S. Fry $10. James T. Green $10. Geo. W. Taylor $2.50	22 50
Gaylord B. Clark	10 00
N. H. R. Dawson, due in July, 1893	33 33
Total	$523 83

APPENDIX I.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

The improvement which has been steadily and increasingly manifesting itself in the Parochial Reports for several years past, has this year received a check. Two reasons are apparent for this. One is that the conciliar year closed on the first day of May, while the Council met on the third, with a Sunday and a journey intervening; leaving insufficient time for any parish to prepare its report. The second reason lies in certain changes and troubles in the Clergy list. Five of our Clergy removed from the Diocese, leaving seven or eight parishes and mission stations vacant. From most of these there came no report. Two or three of the Clergy changed stations within the Diocese, and from these came no reports or but partial reports. Two of the Clergy on taking charge of their parishes found— in one case no register at all, and in the other case a register but with no entries during the last Rector's incumbency. Of course, neither of these could make any report. Two others of the Clergy were sick, and the four or five places represented by them had no reports or but partial reports. One of the Clergy declined to make any report. And lastly, several of our Clergy have recently been transferred from other Dioceses, and find our form of report new and difficult to them. Putting all these causes together we have reasons enough to account for the falling off in completeness and accuracy of this year.

The whole number of parishes and mission stations listed is 68, against 63 last year, an increase of five; and we have several places, such as Perdue Hill and Mt. Pleasant on the Alabama river, which should be carried on our list. Of the 68 places 16 make no report this year, and 4 of these have not reported for two years or more. Last year 9 places made no report, but 5 of the 9 report this year. We have partial reports from 11 places.

FAMILIES— The number of families is 2,737, against 2,722 last year; a net gain of 15. To make this number, however, your committee brought forward from last year the figures from those places which did not report this year. The reports state losses amounting to 225 families, and gains of only 197, which would indicate a net loss of 28 families. This is one of the items which cause your committee to remark upon the inaccuracy of the reports. The Clergy say in their reports that they reported last year 2,738 families, whereas they actually did report last year 2,722. We call attention to our remarks under this head on page 100 of last year's Journal.

PARISHIONERS— The number reported this year, including figures brought forward as noted above, is 11,200, against 11,150 last year. The number reported is probably not more than 500 too small. The numbers stand in the reports, 1889, 10,550; 1890, 10,281; 1891, 11,150; 1892, 11,200; with 11,700 as probably the correct number. The reports show a loss of 1,155 parishioners, against only 489 last year. This extraordinary loss of more than a thou-

sand parishioners needs accounting for. As only a small percentage died, there must have been a large movement of population in some direction. We could wish that our reports would show whether or not they left the Diocese. The reported gain in number of parishioners is 673.

COMMUNICANTS— Last year we gave a table of the number of Communicants as reported for twelve years, with 6,295 as the number for 1891. This year the reports (and figures brought forward) show 6,196, with 4 vacancies in the column caused by a lack both of reports and of available figures. The apparent loss is 99, but the vacancies would probably make this number good ; while among the 16 places not reporting, for which the figures of last year were brought forward without change, were several where there were Confirmations reported by the Bishops. Our probable number is somewhat over 6,300, in the 68 places tabulated, and in the whole Diocese may reach 6,500.

Losses of Communicants—87 died this year, against 76 last year and 84 the year before ; 621 removed, against 279 last year, 264 the year before, and 202 in 1889, an unprecedented number this year. This large item of removals, in connection with the heavy loss of parishioners, indicate much more than appears on the surface, but we have not sufficient data to attempt to trace its cause. There were 127 Communicants dropped this year, against 41 last year, 72 in 1890, and 6 in 1889. This again is an unprecedented number. It differs from other losses in that it is the result of a severe revision of the lists. In all probability certain parish registers have been carelessly kept heretofore, and an effort has been made to have them correct ; if this surmise be the true cause of this large number dropped, we may look upon it as an indication of a decided improvement in our parish book-keeping. It should be remembered, however, that the General Convention has declared the right of the laity to enrollment on the books of the Church, to be as sacred as the right of the Clergy ; and that no name should be dropped without sufficient evidence of removal, or, in case of discipline, without due process of law. The total losses this year from death, removals, erasure or dropping of names, and in ways not specified, amount to 906 ; against 425 in 1891, 460 in 1890, and 331 in 1889 ; or more than double our heaviest loss for many years.

Gains of Communicants— The first item under this head is that of additions by *Confirmation ;* of these there were 365, against 470 last year. This item should not be confused with the whole number Confirmed, which is reported under the head of *Episcopal Acts*. The numbers may be and usually are the same, but are separated in our report because many Rectors do not at once admit the whole number of their Confirmees to Communion; and also because persons are frequently Confirmed in a parish who are not members of that parish, being strangers, or children at school, whose proper enrollment as Communicants should be in some other parish. The Parochial reports give 375 as the number Confirmed this year, and 365 Communicants added by Confirmation ; which would indicate 10 as the number of Confirmees not enrolled as Communicants. The Bishops report 442 persons Confirmed, but this in-

cludes the first Sunday in May, and on that day the Bishop Confirmed 35 in St. John's, Mobile, and the Assistant Bishop 22 in the Church of the Holy Comforter, Montgomery. These belong to next year, and will be included in the Parochial reports of those parishes in 1893. Deducting them from the 442 reported by the Bishops, we have 385 Confirmed during the canonical year. The Parochial reports give the number as 375, a discrepancy of 10. But in Bishop Jackson's report we find 19 persons Confirmed in places not on our list of parishes and mission stations at all. For instance in Camden 6, Letohatchee 2, Newberne 2, Camden again 9. This would show that the Parochial reports gave 9 too many ; a discrepancy to be accounted by the fact that the Bishops reports were last year as well as this brought up to the date of the Council, while the Parochial reports are closed with the last day of April. That is to say, they should close on that day according to the Canon. But of the two parishes having Confirmations on May 1st, one includes the Confirmees of that day in this year's report, and the other does not. Irregularities of this kind makes it very difficult to work up the Diocesan statistics into reliable form, and throws unnecessary labor upon the Committee.

The second item under the head of Gain in number of Communicants, is that of persons "*Admitted*" *to Communion*. This should include those Confirmed in former years and so reported, but who were held back for further instruction ; also omissions discovered, as of names which should have been on the lists but were omitted by some error, or names restored after a too severe excision, etc. We have 55 admitted, against 117 last year and 21 the year before. By "*Removals*" we gain 364, against 236 last year, and 325 the year before. The 364 falls far short of balancing our loss of 621 from the same cause. There appears to be a gain in ways not specified of 38. The total gain is 822, against 957 (corrected) last year, and 828 (corrected) the year before. As our total loss this year is 906, our reports show a net loss of 84. The incorrectness of the reports this year is shown by the fact that the footings show a total of 6,196 Communicants, while the number reported last year was 6,295, which shows a loss of 99. The discrepancy is not large, but there ought not to be any between the losses shown by items and the losses shown by totals.

ANALYSIS OF COMMUNICANTS— *Sex*. The number reported on this year is 5,320 ; of whom 1,696 are male, and 3,624 female. These proportions give us 68.1 per cent. female and 31.9 per cent. male. That is, very nearly one-third of our Communicants are males.

Age. The number reported on is 3,347 ; of these 82.6 per cent. are adults, and 17.4 per cent. are minors. We suggest that our Clergy make 15 years the dividing line. The U. S. Census, in estimating the comparative strength of all the religious bodies in this country, takes the number of members of 15 years and over ; and refuses to count those under that age. When we were asked in this Diocese to make our report to the Census Bureau, we were unable to do so with accuracy and were obliged to make an estimate, which probably did us injustice. Your Committee think so, because it has since come to their knowledge that several of the Clergy made 21 years of age

the dividing line between adults and minors for males, and 18 years for females. We have reported this year 83 *colored* communicants, against 76 last year, and 74 the year before. Of these there are 1 in Anniston, 1 in Birmingham, 2 in Demopolis, 1 in Gadsden, 4 in Marion, 1 in Talladega, and 73 in Mobile. There were but few in Mobile until the Mission of the Good Shepherd was started. With regard to *Frequency of Communing*, reports are made this year for 3,489, or nearly a thousand less than last year. For this reason we will not remark upon these items.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS— The reports this year mention but 39 Sunday Schools, against 43 last year, and 47 the year before. The committee, however, have brought forward from last year's reports ten schools which, they think it fair to presume, have not been disbanded during the year; these are marked with a star in the column of pupils. There are therefore figures for 49 schools in the tables, showing 2,832 pupils, taught by 359 teachers. Pupils and teachers together give us 3,281 persons in our Diocesan Sunday Schools. We note one school having 140 pupils and but one teacher. It would be interesting and probably instructive to know the method of this school; it is probably catechetical, with the Rector as the teacher. Some twenty years ago there was a very noted Sunday School in St. Louis, having perhaps 500 pupils, which was said to be the most wonderful school in the Uuited States. The method was entirely oral, with the Rector as teacher or catechist. There was a number of assistants, but their office was purely disciplinary. This school could recite in unison a large part of the Prayer Book and Psalter, with many hymns, the Articles, and whole chapters from the Gospel of St. John. That was not a method to copy generally, for it needed a genius to work it; but given the genius, it was a great success. It is probable that our mission stations and weak parishes do not make use enough of the Sunday School. In our large parishes it is usually the strongest and most influential single element of growth. One of our Missionary Bishops says that in beginning work in a new place the Sunday School should be the first thing started, for a parish is sure to follow in a few years. We would like to say more on this subject, but the data given in the reports is not sufficient to justify it.

The two parishes in Anniston are the only ones reporting *Mission* Schools; these have five teachers and 45 pupils. One parish in Birmingham reported such a school last year, but does not mention it this year. St. Michael's, Anniston, is the only parish reporting a *Parochial Day* School, and this parish has three teachers, with 58 pupils, against 1 last year, with 25 pupils. The schools heretofore reported by Grace Church, Anniston, have been turned over to the Diocese. The Good Shepherd, Mobile, has such a school but again does not report it.

PARISH SOCIETIES— There are reported this year 78 societies of the laity in 28 parishes and missions. Last year there were 74 societies in 33 places. In 1890 there were 68 societies in 34 places. Comparing the reports of this year with those of two years previous, we find that the following places have disbanded their societies. Auburn 1 with 14 members; Boligee 1 with number of members not given; Brierfield 1 with 10 members; Eutaw 1 - 20;

Eufaula 1 - 20 ; Florence 2 - 20 ; Gadsden 2 - 10 ; Livingston 2 - 36 ; Marion 1 - 45 ; Good Shepherd, Mobile, 2 - 48 ; Opelika 1 - 8 ; Oxford 1 - 6 ; Scottsboro 1 - 12 ; Sheffield 1 - 20 ; Trinity Station 1 - 10 ; Whistler 1 - 14. In all 22 societies with 323 members. But on turning to the financial reports we find that Brierfield reports as received from Guilds and Societies $24.97, Eutaw $320.00, Marion $85.00, which is conclusive proof that societies do still exist in these places though not reported ; and we find a new name, Citronelle, as receiving $174.31, so that there must be a society there also. Adding these to the number reported and we have 82 societies in 32 places. There are reported 1,935 members ; but adding the number of members of the omitted societies, we have 2,020 members. As the years pass we are accumulating data sufficient to enable us to detect many of the errors and omissions in the parochial reports ; but your committee sigh for one year of absolutely correct reports. With such a year as a basis we could do detective work for a good while, for parishes do not change rapidly, and never change without cause. These societies produced for their parishes this year $12,742.28.

Ministerial Offices— Baptisms. Forty-one places report 400 Baptisms this year, against 434 last year and 303 ten years ago, in 1882.

The average number of Baptisms reported since 1886, when we began to use the present form of parochial report, is more than 100 greater than the average before that time. For instance, in 1884 there were 283 reported, in 1885, 339 ; while in 1886 the number was 453, in 1887, 489. This increased average runs through everything, Families, Parishioners, Communicants, etc., and forms an argument for the present form which should not be overlooked by those opposed to it. Of this year's Baptisms 56 were Adults and 363 Infants. Twenty-seven places make no report under this head, and presumably had no Baptisms.

Holy Communion— Forty-three places report under this head and 25 do not. This would indicate that 25 places, in which we find by the tables there are 833 Communicants, had no opportunity this year to approach the Lord's Table. But one-half of these Communicants are in two vacant parishes, where the Bishops celebrated. There must have been, however, nearly 400 Communicants whose opportunities were few and far between, and probably some number who could not commune at all. It should be remembered that parochial reports are not personal to the Rector, to state simply what *he* did in his parish. They are not Clerical reports but *Parochial* reports ; and should include all official acts, done by any authorized person, Bishop or Priest, visitor or stranger, predecessor or incumbent, during the year.

There were 127 *Marriages* this year, against 143 last year ; and 40 of these, or nearly one-third were in one parish. There were 233 *Burials*, against 228 last year ; and nearly one-third of these were in the same parish. About one-half were in the city of Mobile. Eighty-seven were Communicants. There were 1,634 *Sermons* preached in 42 places, not including those of the Bishops, with 26 places from which there are no reports ; among the last are some of our most prominent parishes. The information is not yet complete enough for remark.

CONFIRMATIONS— The reports show 375 persons Confirmed from May 1st, 1891 to May 1st, 1892. There is certainly one error here, being that of a Confirmation on May 1st. The number should probably be 353. If the reports close accurately with the last day of April it becomes possible to compare one year with another; and when we have accurate figures for a series of years we have valuable data, and can trace the fluctuations of religious feeling in the Diocese and perhaps ascertain the causes. But when the reports are made to include the time up to the meeting of the Council, then some conciliar years have eleven months and some have thirteen, and all accuracy is destroyed. Of the persons Confirmed, 142 were male and 226 female. This is a per centage of 61.4 female, which is a smaller proportion than that of the Diocese at large, which is about 68. More than one-third of the Confirmees this year were males. With regard to age, 157 were adults and 158 were minors; but we do not know where the line was drawn. If it had been made at 15 years the proportion of adults would probably have been larger. There were no colored persons Confirmed this year. Fifty-eight of the number were from other religious bodies, and 52 were heads of families. Ten were not classified.

FINANCIAL SUMMARY.

SOURCES OF INCOME— Five parishes this year report themselves as supported by *Pew Rents*, against 3 last year, 5 in 1890, and 4 in 1889. We may conclude that there are 5 such parishes in the Diocese, and whenever a smaller number appears it is because one of them makes no report. The amount raised by pew rents was, omitting fractions, $13,072; an increase of $2,000 over last year. The amount raised by *Subscriptions*, which is the prevailing method of parish support, was $44,443, an increase of nearly $8,800. The two methods taken together produced $57,515; an increase of $10,639 over 1891, of $14,859 over 1890, of $16,843 over 1889, and of $12,882 over 1888. Thus the parishes have had this year the largest income received in 5 years, notwithstanding the low price of cotton and the financial depression throughout the state; and notwithstanding the fact that 15 places made no report. The *Communion Alms* amount to $1,915, the smallest amount for several years, being $592 less than last year, and $928 less than the year before. When our reports are more complete it will be interesting to trace the connection between the amount of Communion Alms and the number of public Communions. We wish it were possible to obtain from our Clergy the number of persons communing, for this would give us averages that would be valuable after a series of years. The *Offerings other than Communion Alms* amounted to $9,771, against $7,000 last year, and $6,200 the year before; an increase of over $2,700 over last year, and more than $3,500 over 1890. Thus the falling off in Alms was very much more than offset by this increase, which is a very considerable one. *Guild and Societies* raised this year $12,742, an increase of $2,500 over last year, and of about $500 over 1890. *Gifts of Money* amounted to $7,493, against $18,000 last year, and $6,240

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STATISTICAL SUMMARY.—Continued.

Number.	Locality and Parishes.	Communicants. Number Reported Last Year.	Loss. By Death.	Loss. By Removal.	Loss. Dropped.	Loss. Total Loss.	Gain. By Confirmation.	Gain. By Admission.	Gain. Removal.	Gain. Total Gain.	Present No. of Persons Legally Entitled to Commune.	Analysis of Communicants. Males.	Females.	Adults.	Minors.	Colored.	Relation to this List. No. who seldom Commune.	No. who never Commune.	Doubtful.	Regular Communicants.	Number.	Parish Institutions. Sunday Schools. Teachers.	Other Officers.	Pupils.	Mission Sch. No. of Schools.	Teachers.	Pupils.	Day Schools. No. of Schools.	Teachers.	Pupils.	Guilds. No. of Societies.	No. of Members.
1	Anniston, Grace Church	261	2	82	10	94	12	...	14	26	193	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	..	...	1	6	3	65	1	3	25	..	..	...	2	40
2	Anniston, St. Michael's	95	2	32	...	34	21	1	15	37	98	43	55	75	23	1	4	2	4	88	2	12	5	125	1	2	20	3	3	58	6	111
3	Athens, St. Timothy	29	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	29	6	23	25	4	..	...	...	..	...	3	6	3	* 34	..	..	...	..	..	...	..	...
4	Auburn, Holy Innocents	53	..	35	...	35	...	...	...	...	18	5	18	11	7	..	...	...	..	...	4	...	...	...	..	..	...	..	..	...	..	...
5	Avondale, Christ Church	18	..	...	6	6	11	3	2	16	28	13	15	...	...	..	2	7	..	19	5	2	1	23	..	..	...	..	..	...	1	11
6	Bessemer, Trinity	72	2	33	...	35	2	...	...	2	39	5	34	39	...	..	4	...	..	35	6	1	..	6	..	..	...	..	..	...	1	12
7	Birmingham, Advent	520	11	75	...	86	45	2	109	156	590	171	319	...	...	1	...	...	..	...	7	15	3	*167	..	..	...	..	..	...	3	75
8	Birmingham, St. Mary's	174	4	21	...	25	6	...	45	51	200	67	133	170	30	..	...	...	..	200	8	10	4	65	..	..	...	..	..	...	3	94
9	Birmingham, St. Mark's	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	6	6	6	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	..	...	9	4	..	20	..	..	...	..	..	...	..	...
10	Brierfield	18	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	18	7	11	...	...	..	...	1	..	17	10	5	..	* 48	..	..	...	..	..	...	..	...
11	Boligee, St. Mark's	14	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	14	...	...	...	...	..	2	...	..	12	11	...	..	...	..	..	...	..	..	...	..	...
12	Bon Secour, St. Peter's	22	..	3	...	3	8	...	...	8	27	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	..	...	12	2	..	15	..	..	...	..	..	...	..	...
13	Carlowville, St. Paul's	59	1	8	...	9	5	4	...	9	59	11	44	51	4	..	2	3	4	50	13	3	2	12	..	..	...	..	..	...	1	14
14	Citronelle	10	..	...	5	5	...	...	...	...	5	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	..	...	14	...	..	...	..	..	...	..	..	...	..	...
15	Clayton, Grace	17	1	1	...	2	1	...	...	1	16	4	12	12	4	..	2	5	..	9	15	2	..	10	..	..	...	..	..	...	1	6
16	Coalburg	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	..	...	16	...	..	...	..	..	...	..	..	...	..	...
17	Columbia, St. Paul's	6	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	6	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	..	...	17	...	..	...	..	..	...	..	..	...	..	...
18	Decatur, St. Paul's	76	..	49	...	49	...	...	...	...	27	9	18	27	...	..	4	2	..	21	18	3	..	15	..	..	...	..	..	...	1	12
19	Demopolis, Trinity	124	1	1	1	3	3	...	4	7	128	17	111	118	10	2	27	24	..	...	19	9	3	70	..	..	...	..	..	...	2	57
20	Eutaw, St. Stephen's	69	..	2	...	2	6	...	...	6	73	19	54	67	6	..	3	...	..	70	20	6	3	40	..	..	...	..	..	...	..	...
21	Evergreen, St. Mary's	22	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	22	6	16	4	18	..	...	2	4	16	21	5	1	20	..	..	...	..	..	...	..	...
22	Eufaula, St. James'	103	1	10	...	11	6	...	...	6	98	38	60	90	8	..	11	4	..	83	22	6	2	51	..	..	...	..	..	...	..	...
23	Faunsdale, St. Michael's	49	..	14	...	14	6	...	5	11	46	16	30	43	3	..	6	6	..	34	23	5	1	24	..	..	...	..	..	...	1	25
24	Florence, Trinity	100	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	100	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	..	...	24	...	..	...	..	..	...	..	..	...	..	...
25	Forkland, St. John's	19	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	19	6	13	19	...	..	...	9	..	6	25	3	2	* 22	..	..	...	..	..	...	..	...
26	Ft. Payne, St. Luke's	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	20	20	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	..	14	26	...	..	...	..	..	...	..	..	...	..	...
27	Gadsden, Holy Comforter	48	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	48	21	27	43	5	1	...	...	..	48	27	5	2	* 18	..	..	...	..	..	...	..	...
28	Gainsville, St. Alban's	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	..	...	28	...	..	...	..	..	...	..	..	...	..	...

not included in the parochial reports; given, perhaps, by individuals. Thirty places do not appear to have contibuted to Diocesan Missions this year. The *Church Home* received $1,559 this year of which the Mobile parishes contributed $1,263. The *University of the South* received $105,23 this year, against $112.48 last year, and for previous years, $156.47, $146.95, and $159.87; a gradual decrease which we regret to record. The Fund for *Disabled Clergy*, etc., received $201.14, against $239.64, $223.64, and $162.59 in previous years. The total amount given for *Diocesan Purposes* was $10,416.07, with 25 places apparently not contributing anything. This is the largest amount in several years, being (omitting fractions) $747 more than last year, $1,139 more than the total for 1890, $2,012 more than in 1889, and $1,607 more than in 1888.

PAROCHIAL OBJECTS— The Diocese gave for the support of its Clergy this year, including the Bishops, $36,716.64; which is over $2,000 more than last year or the year before. The cost of maintaining public worship in the items classed as *Current Expenses*, was $12,805.09 with 26 places not reporting. *Repairs and Improvements* cost $6,281.23, with St. John's, Montgomery leading with $1,673.45, and Christ Church, Mobile, and St. Paul's, Greensboro, following with a little over $1,000 each, and Christ Church, Tuskaloosa with $915.40. There was expended *For the Poor* this year, $2,769.51, about $130 more than last year. Nearly one-half of this amount is by one parish. The *Sunday Schools* cost $1,568.39, or $1,662.74 less than their own offerings. This amount the children gave, probably, to their parishes. *Parochial Missions* cost $411.50, about $50 more than last year, and $360 less than the year before. In *Purchases* for Church or Rectory, St. Mary's, Birmingham leads this year with $2,026.29, followed closely by Trinity, Mobile, with $1,900. The total for this object is $4,710.52. *Trust Funds* were increased to the amount of $2,684.84, against $4,879.53 raised for future use last year and $25,803, the year before. In amounts expended for *New Buildings, Lands, etc.* St. Mary's, Birmingham, leads this year, with $24,355.07. The Church of the Advent expended $7,822.84, making over $32,000 in that one city. Grace Church, Mt. Meigs, also expended $1,170.45. The total for Diocese is $34,123.44, against $6,800 last year, and $8,600 the year before. The parishes close the year with $6,912.93 in their treasuries. The total *Parochial Expenditures* this year are the unusually large amount of $111,733.66. For the three previous years the amounts were $97,362.28, $102,574.65 and $76,857.78.

ARREARAGES— Debts to the amount of $2,195.34 were paid this year; of which $256.18 was interest, $1,055.76 principal, $213.85 due Rectors or Missionaries, $578.25 due to the Diocese, and $91.30 scattering. Last year debts were paid to the amount of over $4,000, and in 1890 about $12,000.

TOTAL EXPENDITURES— Bringing the totals together in a recapitulation, we have— General $1,040.78, Diocesan $10,416.27, Parochial $111,733.66, Arrearages $2,195.34; making a grand aggregate of $125,383.85, of money expended during the year. The fact that this expenditure is balanced by the income, for the first time since parochial reports were ever made to a Council, is not entirely due to the accuracy or the virtue of the makers of the re-

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Number.	Locality and Parishes.	Communicants. Number Reported Last Year.	Loss. By Death.	Loss. By Removal.	Loss. Dropped.	Loss. Total Loss.	Gain. By Confirmation.	Gain. By Admission.	Gain. Removal.	Gain. Total Gain.	Present No. of Persons Legally Entitled to Commune.	Analysis of Communicants. Males.	Females.	Adults.	Minors.	Colored.	Relation to this List. No. who seldom Commune.	No. who never Commune.	Doubtful.	Regular Communicants.
1	Anniston, Grace Church	261	2	82	10	94	12	...	14	26	193	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
2	Anniston, St. Michael's	95	2	32	...	34	21	1	15	37	98	43	55	75	23	1	4	2	4	88
3	Athens, St. Timothy	29	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	29	6	23	25	4	...	...	...	...	...
4	Auburn, Holy Innocents	53	...	35	...	35	...	...	...	...	18	5	18	11	7	...	...	...	...	...
5	Avondale, Christ Church	18	...	...	6	6	11	3	2	16	28	13	15	...	...	...	2	7	...	19
6	Bessemer, Trinity	72	2	33	...	35	2	...	...	2	39	5	34	39	...	...	4	...	...	35
7	Birmingham, Advent	520	11	75	...	86	45	2	109	156	590	171	319	...	...	1	...	...	...	...
8	Birmingham, St. Mary's	174	4	21	...	25	6	...	45	51	200	67	133	170	30	...	...	...	...	200
9	Birmingham, St. Mark's	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	6	6	6	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
10	Brierfield	18	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	18	7	11	...	...	...	...	1	...	17
11	Boligee, St. Mark's	14	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	14	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	12
12	Bon Secour, St. Peter's	22	...	3	...	3	8	...	...	8	27	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
13	Carlowville, St. Paul's	59	1	8	...	9	5	4	...	9	59	11	44	51	4	...	2	3	4	50
14	Citronelle	10	...	...	5	5	...	...	...	...	5	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
15	Clayton, Grace	17	1	1	...	2	1	...	...	1	16	4	12	12	4	...	2	5	...	9
16	Coalburg	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
17	Columbia, St. Paul's	6	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	6	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
18	Decatur, St. Paul's	76	...	49	...	49	...	...	...	...	27	9	18	27	...	...	4	2	...	21
19	Demopolis, Trinity	124	1	1	1	3	3	...	4	7	128	17	111	118	10	2	27	24	...	...
20	Eutaw, St. Stephen's	69	...	2	...	2	6	...	...	6	73	19	54	67	6	...	3	...	...	70
21	Evergreen, St. Mary's	22	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	22	6	16	4	18	...	...	2	4	16
22	Eufaula, St. James'	103	1	10	...	11	6	...	...	6	98	38	60	90	8	...	11	4	...	83
23	Faunsdale, St. Michael's	49	...	14	...	14	6	...	5	11	46	16	30	43	3	...	6	6	...	34
24	Florence, Trinity	100	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	100	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
25	Forkland, St. John's	19	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	19	6	13	19	...	...	...	9	...	6
26	Ft. Payne, St. Luke's	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	20	20	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	14
27	Gadsden, Holy Comforter	48	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	48	21	27	43	5	1	...	...	...	48
28	Gainsville, St. Alban's	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...

Number.	Parish Institutions. Sunday Schools. Teachers.	Other Officers.	Pupils.	Mission Sch. No. of Schools.	Teachers.	Pupils.	Day Schools. No. of Schools.	Teachers.	Pupils.	Guilds. No. of Societies	No. of Members.
1	6	3	65	1	3	25	...	...	...	2	40
2	12	5	125	1	2	20	3	3	58	6	111
3	6	3	* 34	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
4	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
5	3	1	23	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	11
6	1	...	6	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	12
7	15	3	*167	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	75
8	10	4	65	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	94
9	4	...	20	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
10	5	...	* 48	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
11	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
12	2	...	15	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
13	3	2	12	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	14
14	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
15	2	...	10	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	6
16	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
17	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
18	3	...	15	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	12
19	9	3	70	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	57
20	6	3	40	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
21	5	1	20	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
22	6	2	51	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
23	5	1	24	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	25
24	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
25	3	2	* 22	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
26	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
27	5	2	* 18	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
28	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...

say that the first step to take to arouse a half dead parish, is to plunge it into debt. This sentiment is perhaps as exaggerated on one side, as the unreasoning horror against any Church debt as morally wrong, is an exaggeration on the other side. One of the great funds of our Church, begun and carried on with enthusiasm, the "Million Dollar Church Building Fund," has its only reason for existence in the necessity for creating debts in building churches. The whole system of Credit, upon which our very civilization is based, is a system of debt, but of debts wisely created, carefully managed, and presently paid. No business in the world, of any magnitude, could be carried on without constant current indebtedness. It stands to reason that debts should not be carelessly created, nor for any less reason than the pressure of necessity, nor without reasonable prospect of payment. But when such cause arises, the creation of a debt is as much an act of wisdom, as is the payment of it when the power to do so comes.

In the column of *Arrearages*, we have but two items, amounting to $159.23. There is due to the Diocese, by the report of the Treasurer, $118.35, the amount above this, therefore, must be due within the parishes.

Cash in Hand and Trust Funds— We have reported here as in the hands of Treasurer's of parishes and mission stations $3,089.92. This is an error, for the cash reported in *parochial expenditures* as in hand, amounted to $6,912.93; which should all have been repeated here, in addition to amounts held over from previous years, and all amounts held by parish Treasurers. Guilds and Societies enter a new year with $7,510 in hand. Trust Funds amount to $8,168.56, of which Greenville has the largest item, holding $2,836, for some future use. Huntsville has $1,500, St. John's, Mobile, $1,100, and Trinity, Mobile, $1,200. The large amount of $20,500, held last year by Grace Church, Anniston, disappears this year.

Assets Due and Uncollected— This column foots up only $1,395, of which one parish holds $1,000. We have spoken of this item from year to year as certainly understated, and again call attention to it. Under the present condition and aspects of human nature, it is simply impossible that an income of one hundred and twenty-five thousand dollars should have been collected so closely as this. A more probable figure would be $12,500. Only 4 places report under this head. It is impossible that 64 parishes and missions collected every dollar of every pew rent, every dollar of every subscription, every dollar of every promise to pay. We *know* that this cannot be true. Is it possible that the Treasurers of parishes do not know the amounts of uncollected assets? Do not their books show? There is carelessness here that should be remedied.

Insurance— The total Insurance is $146,600, against $123,725 last year; but there are several changes in the list. The following parishes appear to have dropped the insurance they carried last year. Grace Church, Anniston, $16,000, Gadsden, $2,000, Greenville, $2,500, Sheffield, $1,250, Uniontown, $1,000, amounting to $22,750. The following are additions to the list: Greensboro, $8,000, Huntsville, $5,000, St. John's, Montgomery, $18,000. Mt. Meigs. $1,000. And the following have increased their insurance. Christ

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Number.	Locality and Parishes.	Ministerial Offices. Baptisms. Adults.	Infants.	Total.	Holy Com'n. Public.	Private.	Marriages.	Burials.	Sermons.	Lectures.	Brief Addresses.	Instructions to Classes by Rector.	Meetings Attended, Officially.	Episcopal Acts. No. of Persons Confirmed.	Analysis of Confirmees. Male.	Female.	Adults.	Minors.	Colored.	From other Religious Bodies.	Heads of Families.	Number.	Public Services. Sundays. Public Services on Sundays.	No. of Sessions of Sunday and Mission Schools.	Week-Days. No. of Services on Holy Days, Lent, Ember, Rog'n, &c	Sessions of Classes not in Sunday or Miss'n Schools.	Aggregate of all Services for Worship or Instruction.
1	Anniston, Grace Church	3	7	10	22		5	3						18	5	13	10	8		7	3	1	94				94
2	Anniston, St. Michael's	4	15	19	106	4	3	5	97	91	73	109	71	21	12	9	11	10		10	7	2	158	52	176	109	495
3	Athens, St. Timothy																					3					
4	Auburn, Holy Innocents								34				1									4	33		1		34
5	Avondale, Christ Church	3	4	7	10	2	2	1	33	2	2	3	4	11	4	7						5	40	52	6	3	101
6	Bessemer, Trinity		5	5	14	1	2	5	49	12		7	9	2		2	2					6	52	52	16		68
7	Birmingham, Advent	3	70	73	78	13	13	23						45	18	30	28	17				7					
8	Birmingham, St. Mary's		13		20		3	7	75	44		5	31	6	5	1	6			1	3	8	85	40	41	10	136
9	Birmingham, St. Mark's				1																	9	24	15			39
10	Brierfield																					10	22	50			72
11	Boligee, St. Mark's																					11					
12	Bon Secour, St. Peter's		5	5	3				18		2			8	2	6	3	5				12	18	15			33
13	Carlowville, St. Paul's		1	1	12			4	24				4	5		5		5				13	48	40	55	40	183
14	Citronelle								16													14	16				16
15	Clayton, Grace	1	1	2	18			1						2								15		48			48
16	Coalburg																					16					
17	Columbia, St. Paul's																					17					
18	Decatur, St. Paul's		1	1	8		2		6	1			4									18	6		4	1	11
19	Demopolis, Trinity		9	9	15		1	2	37		2	6	3	3		3	2	1				19	69	49	73	6	197
20	Eutaw, St. Stephen's		2	2	3				32	15	10	5	8	6	2	4	1	5				20	25	52	35	14	125
21	Evergreen, St. Mary's		1	1	6				24													21	24	52			76
22	Eufaula, St. James'	1	5		63		1	1	82	36	20	38	6	6	3	3	2	4		1		22	16	52	60		128
23	Faunsdale, St. Michael's	1	4	5	14	1	3		32		1	3	2	6	3	3	5	1		3	2	23	28	41	16	3	88
24	Florence, Trinity																					24					
25	Forkland, St. John's																					25					
26	Ft. Payne, St. Luke's		2	2	8				19													26	19	30			49
27	Gadsden, Holy Comforter																					27					
28	Gainsville, St. Alban's																					28					

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Number.	Parishes and Missions. Locality.	Name of Parish.	Officers. Rector.	Wardens.	Treasurer.	Clerk.	Number.	Families. Number Reported Last Year.	Changes. Lost.	Gained.	Present Number of Families.	Parishioners. Number Reported Last Year.	Changes. Lost.	Gained.	Present Number of Parishioners.
○ 1	Anniston....	Grace.....	P. A. Fitts.....	A. L. Tyler, V. H. Marshall....	L. W. Hammond..	B. Micou.....	1	107	28	7	86	700	414	14	300
2	Anniston....	St. Michael's...	W. D. Martin.....	Jno. W. Noble, O. H. Parker..	Jno. H. Noble.....	Sam Robinson.....	2	50	17	19	52	314	67	44	291
* 3	Athens.....	St. Timothy....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3	16	...	...	16	56	...	...	56
4	Auburn.....	Holy Innocents.	O. M. Yerger.....	W. L. Broun, J. H. Lane.....	J. H. Lane.....	J. H. Lane.....	4	11	4	...	7	70	45	...	25
5	Avondale....	Christ Church..	W. H. Mitchell....	W. D. Carter.....	Mrs. W. D. Carter.	Rich Randolph....	5	10	...	5	15	40	9	15	46
6	Bessemer....	Trinity.....	Benj. Dennis.....	C. E. Morris, W. C. Fellows...	W. H. Swan.....	N. H. Carpenter...	6	35	11	...	24	111	50	2	63
7	Birmingham	Advent.....	T. J. Beard.....	R. H. Pearson, W. J. Milner....	C. A. Garland.....	W. P. G. Harding.	7	245	25	35	255	1220	...	...	1270
8	Birmingham	St. Mary's.....	O. P. Fitzsimmons	Jas. B. Head, A. M. Adger.....	J. T. Meade.....	G. H. Ellerby.....	8	102	11	25	116	372	39	87	420
9	Birmingham	St. Mark's.....	J. A. Van Hoose...	C. V. Auguste.....	C. V. Auguste.....	C. V. Auguste....	9	5	...	...	5	...	...	...	15
○10	Brierfield....	.....	J. F. Smith.....	.....	E. T. Peter.....	.....	10	11	4	...	7	52	17	...	35
*11	Boligee.....	St. Mark's.....	J. J. Harris.....	.....	.....	.....	11	8	...	...	8	30	...	...	30
12	Bon Secour..	St. Peter's.....	J. M. Benedict.....	Jno. Robnwick.....	Wm. Witt.....	.....	12	16	1	...	15	83	4	2	81
13	Carlowville..	St. Paul's.....	F. B. Lee.....	J. D. Alison, R. J. Lide.....	J. D. Alison, Jr...	J. D. Alison, Jr...	13	27	3	...	24	99	11	3	91
14	Citronelle...	.....	J. M. Benedict....	.....	Dr. J. G. Michael..	.....	14	...	...	...	3	...	...	...	15
15	Clayton.....	Grace.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	15	7	...	...	7	30	2	...	28
†16	Coalburg....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	16	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
†17	Columbia....	St. Paul's.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	17	4	...	...	4	17	...	...	17
○18	Decatur.....	St. Paul's.....	E. W. Spalding...	J. H. Gray, W. H. Jarvis.....	J. H. Gray.....	W. H. Jarvis.....	18	48	36	...	12	129	79	...	50
19	Demopolis...	Trinity.....	J. A. Harrison.....	J. T. Jones, J. R. Robertson...	G. J. Michael.....	G. J. Michael.....	19	54	2	2	54	210	4	9	215
○20	Eutaw.....	St. Stephen's...	T. A. Payne.....	Jas. O. Banks, B. B. Barnes....	B. B. Barnes.....	B. B. Barnes.....	20	29	4	...	25	110	...	...	110
○21	Evergreen...	St. Mary's.....	G. R. Upton.....	P. D. Bowles, F. L. Hickok....	C. B. Savage.....	C. B. Savage.....	21	9	...	...	9	...	...	...	...
22	Eufaula.....	St. James'.....	.....	H. R. Shorter, H. D. Clayton...	D. Thornton.....	D. Thornton.....	22	39	3	1	37	170	14	3	159
23	Faunsdale...	St. Michael's...	J. F. John.....	J. H. Minge, J. F. Watkins....	J. F. Watkins.....	Wm. Selden.....	23	26	10	3	19	113	40	20	93
*24	Florence....	Trinity.....	.....	R. L. Bliss, H. B. Lee.....	Chas. Tatum.....	A. L. Ellett, Jr....	24	27	...	...	27	160	...	...	160
*25	Forkland....	St. John's.....	Wm. A. Stickney.	A. S. Brasfield, W. N. Glover..	Miss A. L. Glover.	A. S. Brasfield....	25	9	...	...	9	29	...	...	29
26	Ft. Payne...	St. Luke's.....	J. A. Van Hoose..	.....	.....	.....	26	...	...	12	12	...	...	34	34
*27	Gadsden.....	Holy Comforter	.....	W. Alexander, Sr., O. Goldman	Jas. Balfour.....	Otto Agricola.....	27	20	...	...	20	87	...	...	87
*28	Gainsville...	St. Alban's.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	28	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...

29	Gallion, St. Andrew's			417 50									417 50	29
30	Greensboro, St. Paul's	126 29		2109 46	73 55	70 15	376 40			213 20			2969 05	30
31	Greenville, St. Thomas'			432 00	25 00	74 15				20 00			551 15	31
32	Hayneville, St. Andrew's			151 00		10 00							161 00	32
33	Huntsville, Nativity	183 00	1713 00	53 94	141 23	446 13	32 75			290 15	200 00	841 93	3902 13	33
34	Jacksonville, St. Luke's			190 45		60 61	42 00	30 00		21 92		31 25	376 23	34
35	Livingston, St. James'					162 86				13 54		32 00	208 40	35
36	Lowndesboro, St. Paul's			150 00									150 00	36
37	Marion, St. Wilfrid's					20 52	85 00			29 89		234 79	370 20	37
38	Martin's Station, St. Luke's													38
39	Mobile, Christ Church	899 96	4572 45	539 07	342 00	1150 90	2242 20	471 90	2342 17	406 95	300 00		13267 60	39
40	Mobile, Good Shepherd	389 58						1279 88					1669 46	40
41	Mobile, St. John's	449 18		1823 59	112 90	775 70	905 63	180 00		415 52		52 85	4715 37	41
42	Mobile, Trinity	148 60		2231 12	127 12	489 30	919 75			135 00		1980 95	6031 84	42
43	Montevallo			65 87	8 00	14 55				5 00		20 00	113 42	43
44	Montgomery, St. John's	500 00	3641 88	592 50	206 36	696 27	709 90		1068 00	381 22		1043 99	8840 12	44
45	Montgomery, Holy Comforter	696 26		1059 55	50 72	324 26	608 82	20 50	20 00	251 25			2981 36	45
46	Mt. Meigs, Grace	700 00		150 87				109 45	41 00		229 53	100 00	1330 85	46
47	New Decatur, St. John's			121 50		70 70	180 35	138 21	2520 00				3030 76	47
48	Opelika, Emanuel	22 82		95 00		19 87						5 00	142 69	48
49	Oxford			125 00									125 00	49
50	Piedmont, Christ Church	1 73		51 50	16 80	19 49	88 91	60 00		17 85		3 80	260 08	50
51	Prattville, St. Mark's			85 65	3 00	7 50							96 15	51
52	Pushmataha, Calvary													52
53	Selma, St. Paul's	51 08		4089 68			363 50			243 59		161 67	4909 78	53
54	Scottsboro, St. Luke's													54
55	Sheffield, Grace													55
56	Spring Hill, St. Paul's													56
57	Talladega, St. Peter's	50 00		354 63	34 14	59 98	98 45			27 47			624 67	57
58	Tilden, Grace			64 00	15 90	5 15							85 05	58
59	Trinity Station, Grace									3 00			3 00	59
60	Tuscumbia, St. John's			400 00	25 76	53 30	51 57	33 00	96 00	26 20			685 83	60
61	Tuskaloosa, Christ Church	572 01		400 50	31 50	1862 51	40 70		58 45	164 79	300 00	404 76	3835 22	61
62	Troy, St. Mark's													62
63	Union Springs, Trinity													63
64	Uniontown, Holy Cross	45 00		486 00	34 80	116 28	140 00			35 37			856 45	64
65	Whistler, St. Paul's	19 30		354 23	17 75					16 00			407 28	65
66	Woodlawn, Calvary			370 31									370 31	66
67	Bridgeport													67
68	Madison Station													68
68		$6085 25	$13073 53	$44443 01	$1915 31	$9771 98	$12742 28	$7493 88	$6895 95	$3231 13	$1128 21	$6376 37	$125383 85	

Number.	Locality and Parishes.	Expended for General Objects.				Expended for Diocesan Objects.							Number.
		Foreign and Domestic Missions.	Jewish Missions.	Other General Objects.	Total Expended for General Objects.	Diocesan Assessment.	Diocesan Missions.	Church Home.	University of the South.	Disabled Clergy and Widows and Orphans Fund.	Other Diocesan Objects.	Total Amt. Expended for Diocesan Objects.	
1	Anniston, Grace Church	$ 16 10	$	$ 5 00	$ 21 10	$ 225 00	$ 50 00	$	$	$ 10 00	$	$ 285 00	1
2	Anniston, St. Michael's	20 47	3 02	106 22	129 69	100 00	82 07	68 60	10 28	11 29	7 44	279 68	2
3	Athens, St. Timothy	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3
4	Auburn, Holy Innocents	.....	.....	.....	.....	30 00	7 16	.....	.....	.....	.....	37 16	4
5	Avondale, Christ Church	.....	2 70	.....	2 70	12 50	6 30	.....	.....	.....	.....	18 80	5
6	Bessemer, Trinity	.....	.....	.....	.....	31 25	6 40	.....	.....	.....	.....	37 65	6
7	Birmingham, Advent	35 29	8 14	.....	43 43	400 00	102 39	.....	11 00	20 00	.....	533 39	7
8	Birmingham, St. Mary's	.....	9 85	.....	9 85	300 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	300 00	8
9	Birmingham, St. Mark's	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	9
10	Brierfield	.....	.....	.....	.....	15 00	22 50	.....	.....	.....	.....	37 50	10
11	Boligee, St. Mark's	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	11
12	Bon Secour, St. Peter's	.....	.....	.....	.....	12 50	1 15	.....	.....	.....	.....	13 65	12
13	Carlowville, St. Paul's	40 80	.....	.....	40 80	37 50	137 00	.....	12 30	13 60	.....	200 40	13
14	Citronelle	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	14
15	Clayton, Grace	.....	.....	.....	.....	15 00	4 00	.....	.....	1 00	.....	20 00	15
16	Coalburg	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	16
17	Columbia, St. Paul's	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	17
18	Decatur, St. Paul's	.....	.....	.....	.....	62 50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	62 50	18
19	Demopolis, Trinity	12 25	3 15	6 05	21 45	133 33	58 40	20 00	21 65	13 45	.....	246 83	19
20	Eutaw, St. Stephen's	.....	.....	5 25	5 25	31 25	9 90	.....	.....	.....	.....	41 15	20
21	Evergreen, St. Mary's	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	4 20	.....	.....	.....	.....	4 20	21
22	Eufaula, St. James'	.....	.....	.....	.....	75 00	.....	3 70	.....	3 10	.....	81 80	22
23	Faunsdale, St. Michael's	59 50	4 70	.....	64 20	45 00	16 40	9 10	.....	5 30	.....	75 80	23
24	Florence, Trinity	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	24
25	Forkland, St. John's	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	25
26	Ft. Payne, St. Luke's	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	26
27	Gadsden, Holy Comforter	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	27
28	Gainsville, St. Alban's	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	28

29	Gallion, St. Andrews					87 50	26 25		8 75	5 00		77 50	29
30	Greensboro, St. Paul's	26 20	6 70	79 40	112 30	225 00	340 85	32 00	15 25	5 00		618 10	30
31	Greenville, St. Thomas'		3 00		3 00	31 50	39 65	5 00				76 15	31
32	Hayneville, St. Andrew's						1 00					1 00	32
33	Huntsville, Nativity	40 94	13 00		53 94	400 00	320 77		16 00	17 05		753 82	33
34	Jacksonville, St. Luke's	10 61			10 61	31 25	32 60					63 85	34
35	Livingston, St. James'	12 65			12 65	31 25	45 00					76 25	35
36	Lowndesboro, St. Paul's												36
37	Marion, St. Wilfrid's					38 05	8 50					46 55	37
38	Martin's Station, St. Luke's												38
39	Mobile, Christ Church	67 57	23 75		91 32	600 00	361 55	800 00		32 30	50 00	1843 85	39
40	Mobile, Good Shepherd					31 25						31 25	40
41	Mobile, St. John's	27 55			27 55	262 50	101 60	235 00				599 10	41
42	Mobile, Trinity	34 75	12 55	100 64	147 94	350 00	133 75	228 00		15 00		726 75	42
43	Montevallo					15 00	16 00					31 00	43
44	Montgomery, St. John's	75 00	15 00		90 00	600 00	700 00	50 00		89 00		1439 00	44
45	Montgomery, Holy Comforter	19 00	2 30		21 30	100 00	153 30	4 60	10 00	5 00		272 90	45
46	Mt. Meigs, Grace												46
47	New Decatur, St. John's						5 67					5 67	47
48	Opelika, Emanuel												48
49	Oxford												49
50	Piedmont, Christ Church	3 80			3 80	15 00	10 60					25 60	50
51	Prattville, St. Mark's					13 00						13 00	51
52	Pushmataha, Calvary												52
53	Selma, St. Paul's			15 30	15 30	450 00	303 00					753 00	53
54	Scottsboro, St. Luke's												54
55	Sheffield, Grace												55
56	Spring Hill, St. Paul's												56
57	Talladega, St. Peter's			4 38	4 38	31 25	35 05			2 00		68 30	57
58	Tilden, Grace	6 45			6 45		9 95					9 95	58
59	Trinity Station, Grace	3 00			3 00								59
60	Tuscumbia, St. John's	15 12	1 40		16 52	18 75	25 15	96 00				139 90	60
61	Tuskaloosa, Christ Church	66 00	7 55		73 55	225 00	149 45					374 45	61
62	Troy, St. Mark's												62
63	Union Springs, Trinity												63
64	Uniontown, Holy Cross	3 35	3 35		6 70	45 00	13 35	7 00		3 05		68 40	64
65	Whistler, St. Paul's	2 00			2 00	10 00	8 10					18 10	65
66	Woodlawn, Calvary						7 12					7 12	66
67	Bridgeport												67
68	Madison Station												68
		$598 40	$120 16	$322 24	$1040 78	$5055 88	$3356 13	$1559 00	$105 23	$201 14	$57 44	$10416 07	

STATISTICAL SUMMARY.—Continued.

Number.	Locality and Parishes.	Ministerial Offices. Baptisms. Adults.	Infants.	Total.	Holy Com'n. Public.	Private.	Marriages.	Burials.	Sermons.	Lectures.	Brief Addresses.	Instructions to Classes by Rector.	Meetings Attended, Officially.	Episcopal Acts. No. of Persons Confirmed.	Analysis of Confirmees. Male.	Female.	Adults.	Minors.	Colored.	From other Religious Bodies.	Heads of Families.	Number.	Public Services. Sundays. Public Services on Sundays.	No. of Sessions of Sunday and Mission Schools.	Week-Days. No. of Services on Holy Days, Lent, Ember, Rog'n, &c	Sessions of Classes not in Sunday or Miss'n Schools.	Aggregate of all Services for Worship or Instruction.
1	Anniston, Grace Church	3	7	10	22		5	3						18	5	13	10	8		7	3	1	94				94
2	Anniston, St. Michael's	4	15	19	106	4	3	5	97	91	73	109	71	21	12	9	11	10		10	7	2	158	52	176	109	495
3	Athens, St. Timothy																					3					
4	Auburn, Holy Innocents								34				1									4	33		1		34
5	Avondale, Christ Church	3	4	7	10	2	2	1	33	2	2	3	4	11	4	7						5	40	52	6	3	101
6	Bessemer, Trinity		5	5	14	1	2	5	49	12		7	9	2		2	2					6	52	52	16		68
7	Birmingham, Advent	3	70	73	78	13	13	23						45	18	30	28	17				7					
8	Birmingham, St. Mary's		13		20		3	7	75	44		5	31	6	5	1	6			1	3	8	85	40	41	10	136
9	Birmingham, St. Mark's				1																	9	24	15			39
10	Brierfield																					10	22	50			72
11	Boligee, St. Mark's																					11					
12	Bon Secour, St. Peter's		5	5	3				18		2			8	2	6	3	5				12	18	15			33
13	Carlowville, St. Paul's		1	1	12			4	24				4	5		5		5				13	48	40	55	40	183
14	Citronelle								16													14	16				16
15	Clayton, Grace	1	1	2	18			1						2								15		48			48
16	Coalburg																					16					
17	Columbia, St. Paul's																					17					
18	Decatur, St. Paul's		1	1	8		2		6	1			4									18	6		4	1	11
19	Demopolis, Trinity		9	9	15		1	2	37		2	6	3	3		3	2	1				19	69	49	73	6	197
20	Eutaw, St. Stephen's		2	2	3				32	15	10	5	8	6	2	4	1	5				20	25	52	35	14	125
21	Evergreen, St. Mary's		1	1	6				24													21	24	52			76
22	Eufaula, St. James'	1	5		63		1	1	82	36	20	38	6	6	3	3	2	4		1		22	16	52	60		128
23	Faunsdale, St. Michael's	1	4	5	14	1	3		32		1	3	2	6	3	3	5	1		3	2	23	28	41	16	3	88
24	Florence, Trinity																					24					
25	Forkland, St. John's																					25					
26	Ft. Payne, St. Luke's		2	2	8				19													26	19	30			49
27	Gadsden, Holy Comforter																					27					
28	Gainsville, St. Alban's																					28					

29	Gallion, St. Andrew's	112 00		230 00										342 00	29
30	Greensboro, St. Paul's	1151 65	53 25	1012 50	10 25		11 00							2238 65	30
31	Greenville, St. Thomas'	432 00	10 00		10 00	20 00								472 00	31
32	Hayneville, St. Andrew's	150 00					10 00							160 00	32
33	Huntsville, Nativity	1800 00	435 06	106 15	171 74	20 00	40 00						138 79	2711 74	33
34	Jacksonville, St. Luke's	232 45	9 04	8 00		10 85				30 00		9 00	2 43	301 77	34
35	Livingston, St. James'	87 50											32 00	119 50	35
36	Lowndesboro, St. Paul's	150 00												150 00	36
37	Marion, St. Wilfrid's	300 00	20 30			3 35								323 65	37
38	Martin's Station, St. Luke's														38
39	Mobile, Christ Church	3000 00	1931 53	1032 71	1249 42	149 60	19 35		57 52	2342 17	1172 23		144 54	11097 07	39
40	Mobile, Good Shepherd	900 00	546 45										191 76	1638 21	40
41	Mobile, St. John's	2000 00	451 63	193 50	307 40	292 61	10 00	177 48	45 70				610 40	4088 72	41
42	Mobile, Trinity	508 33	856 29	82 50	211 48	310 00	15 00		1900 00				1273 55	5157 15	42
43	Montevallo	50 00	5 00				27 42							82 42	43
44	Montgomery, St. John's	2644 00	1114 20	1673 45	286 26	37 94				1068 00		487 27		7311 12	44
45	Montgomery, Holy Comforter	935 50	265 67		42 85	50 87	6 00	1 34		20 00	1198 80		46 06	2567 09	45
46	Mt. Meigs, Grace	64 00	25 00							41 00		1170 45	30 40	1330 85	46
47	New Decatur, St. John's	118 34	29 10			5 40				2520 00			352 25	3025 09	47
48	Opelika, Emanuel	123 00	2 00										17 69	142 69	48
49	Oxford	75 00	50 00											125 00	49
50	Piedmont, Christ Church	103 08	15 75			15 42			82 90				13 53	230 68	50
51	Prattville, St. Mark's	80 65	2 50											83 15	51
52	Pushmataha, Calvary Church														52
53	Selma, St. Paul's	2141 58	1576 71		131 08	243 95		9 50	20 45				18 21	4141 48	53
54	Scottsboro, St. Luke's														54
55	Sheffield, Grace														55
56	Spring Hill, St. Paul's														56
57	Talladega, St. Peter's	241 43	70 96			20 00			78 45		66 15			476 99	57
58	Tilden, Grace	64 00											4 65	68 65	58
59	Trinity Station, Grace														59
60	Tuscumbia, St. John's	233 50	33 47			7 66			11 00				243 78	529 41	60
61	Tuskaloosa, Christ Church	1075 00	323 27	915 40	25 00	32 53	140 00		58 45				146 32	2715 97	61
62	Troy, St. Mark's														62
63	Union Springs, Trinity														63
64	Uniontown, Holy Cross	328 35	48 00	210 00		55 00					140 00			781 35	64
65	Whistler, St. Paul's	275 00	83 05			8 30							20 83	387 18	65
66	Woodlawn, Calvary	135 00	190 27		11 50								26 42	363 19	66
67	Bridgeport														67
68	Madison Station														68
		$30716 64	$12805 09	$6281 23	$2769 51	$1568 39	$383 68	$411 50	$4710 52	$6727 67	$2684 84	$34123 44	$6912 93	$111733 66	

Number.	Locality and Parishes.	SOURCES OF INCOME. Amounts brought over from Last Year.	Pew Rents.	Subscriptions.	Communion Alms.	Offerings other than Communion Alms.	Guilds and Societies.	Gifts in Money.	Cash Value of other Gifts.	Sunday School Offerings.	Borrowed.	All Other Sources.	Total Income of the Parish.	Number.
1	Anniston, Grace Church	$ 92 95	$	$ 1580 23	$ 56 31	$ 414 29	$ 286 55	$ 160 00	$ 300 00	$ 60 88	$ 1000 00	$ 782 46	$ 4633 67	1
2	Anniston, St. Michael's	481 78		2363 00	52 76	1163 63	430 03	75 00		103 48	384 75		5054 43	2
3	Athens, St. Timothy													3
4	Auburn, Holy Innocents	26 81		202 50		73 28							302 59	4
5	Avondale, Christ Church	127 05			76 11	16 37	44 91		6 33			6 85	278 01	5
6	Bessemer, Trinity			490 65	35 00	106 51	354 48						986 64	6
7	Birmingham, Advent	1177 70		3110 36	52 90	176 82	486 64	5769 95		123 13	700 00		11697 50	7
8	Birmingham, St. Mary's		2818 20	16512 40	134 85	451 43	2026 29		366 50		8000 00		30309 67	8
9	Birmingham, St. Mark's							90 00				62 50	152 50	9
10	Brierfield			100 00	2 70	3 75	24 97	5 00		13 25		29 25	174 92	10
11	Boligee, St. Mark's													11
12	Bon Secour, St. Paul's	48 25		70 85	12 20			10 00					141 30	12
13	Carlowville, St. Paul's			245 00	51 55	25 90	137 00	20 80	37 50	26 25		341 67	885 67	13
14	Citronelle	206 62				85 10	174 31	282 35					748 38	14
15	Clayton, Grace					52 00		2 00					54 00	15
16	Coalburg													16
17	Columbia, St. Paul's													17
18	Decatur, St. Paul's		327 00	175 75		79 52	30 60	23 81		31 88	13 93		682 49	18
19	Demopolis, Trinity			600 00	86 70	93 20	1350 32			59 25		160 53	2350 00	19
20	Eutaw, St. Stephen's			400 00	50 00	40 00	320 00						810 00	20
21	Evergreen, St. Mary's			200 00		4 20							204 20	21
22	Eufaula, St. James'	58 86		676 50		382 15		11 91	40 00	100 50		142 96	1412 88	22
23	Faunsdale, St. Michael's			500 85	37 70	93 65	190 25			44 60			867 05	23
24	Florence, Trinity													24
25	Forkland, St. John's													25
26	Ft. Payne, St. Luke's			150 00									150 00	26
27	Gadsden, Holy Comforter													27
28	Gainsville, St. Alban's													28

29	Gallion, St. Andrew's								77 50	342 00		417 50	29				
30	Greensboro, St. Paul's							112 30	618 10	2238 65		2969 05	30				
31	Greenville, St. Thomas'							3 00	76 15	472 00		551 15	31				
32	Hayneville, St. Andrew's								1 00	160 00		161 00	32				
33	Huntsville, Nativity	205 63			177 00		382 63	53 94	753 82	2711 74	382 63	3902 13	33				138 79
34	Jacksonville, St. Luke's							10 61	63 85	301 77		376 23	34				2 43
35	Livingston, St. James'							12 65	76 25	119 50		208 40	35				32 00
36	Lowndesboro, St. Paul's									150 00		150 00	36				
37	Marion, St. Wilfrid's								46 55	323 65		370 20	37				
38	Martin's Station, St. Luke's												38				
39	Mobile, Christ Church	20 44	214 92				235 36	91 32	1843 85	11097 07	235 36	13267 60	39		1700 00		144 54
40	Mobile, Good Shepherd								31 25	1638 21		1669 46	40				191 76
41	Mobile, St. John's							27 55	599 10	4088 72		4715 37	41				147 80
42	Mobile, Trinity							147 94	726 75	5157 15		6031 84	42				484 05
43	Montevallo								31 00	82 42		113 42	43				
44	Montgomery, St. John's							90 00	1439 00	7311 12		8840 12	44				
45	Montgomery, Holy Comf'ter		85 00	35 07			120 07	21 30	272 90	2567 09	120 07	2981 36	45				13 21
46	Mt. Meigs, Grace									1330 85		1330 85	46		278 53		30 40
47	New Decatur, St. John's								5 67	3025 09		3030 76	47				171 90
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51	Prattville, St. Mark's								13 00	83 15		96 15	51				
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58	Tilden, Grace							6 45	9 95	68 65		85 05	58				4 65
59	Trinity Station, Grace							3 00				3 00	59				
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65	Whistler, St. Paul's							2 00	18 10	387 18		407 28	65				20 83
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		Foreign and Domestic Missions.	Jewish Missions.	Other General Objects.	Total Expended for General Objects.	Diocesan Assessment.	Diocesan Missions.	Church Home.	University of the South.	Disabled Clergy and Widows and Orphans Fund.	Other Diocesan Objects.	Total Amt. Expended for Diocesan Objects.	
1	Anniston, Grace Church	$ 16 10	$	$ 5 00	$ 21 10	$ 225 00	$ 50 00	$	$	$ 10 00	$	$ 285 00	1
2	Anniston, St. Michael's	20 47	3 02	106 22	129 69	100 00	82 07	68 60	10 28	11 29	7 44	279 68	2
3	Athens, St. Timothy	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3
4	Auburn, Holy Innocents	.....	.....	.....	.....	30 00	7 16	.....	.....	.....	.....	37 16	4
5	Avondale, Christ Church	.....	2 70	.....	2 70	12 50	6 30	.....	.....	.....	.....	18 80	5
6	Bessemer, Trinity	.....	.....	.....	.....	31 25	6 40	.....	.....	.....	.....	37 65	6
7	Birmingham, Advent	35 29	8 14	.....	43 43	400 00	102 39	.....	11 00	20 00	.....	533 39	7
8	Birmingham, St. Mary's	.....	9 85	.....	9 85	300 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	300 00	8
9	Birmingham, St. Mark's	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	9
10	Brierfield	.....	.....	.....	.....	15 00	22 50	.....	.....	.....	.....	37 50	10
11	Boligee, St. Mark's	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	11
12	Bon Secour, St. Peter's	.....	.....	.....	.....	12 50	1 15	.....	.....	.....	.....	13 65	12
13	Carlowville, St. Paul's	40 80	.....	.....	40 80	37 50	137 00	.....	12 30	13 60	.....	200 40	13
14	Citronelle	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	14
15	Clayton, Grace	.....	.....	.....	.....	15 00	4 00	.....	.....	1 00	.....	20 00	15
16	Coalburg	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	16
17	Columbia, St. Paul's	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	17
18	Decatur, St. Paul's	.....	.....	.....	.....	62 50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	62 50	18
19	Demopolis, Trinity	12 25	3 15	6 05	21 45	133 33	58 40	20 00	21 65	13 45	.....	246 83	19
20	Eutaw, St. Stephen's	.....	.....	5 25	5 25	31 25	9 90	.....	.....	.....	.....	41 15	20
21	Evergreen, St. Mary's	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	4 20	.....	.....	.....	.....	4 20	21
22	Eufaula, St. James'	.....	.....	.....	.....	75 00	.....	3 70	.....	3 10	.....	81 80	22
23	Faunsdale, St. Michael's	59 50	4 70	.....	64 20	45 00	16 40	9 10	.....	5 30	.....	75 80	23
24	Florence, Trinity	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	24
25	Forkland, St. John's	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	25
26	Ft. Payne, St. Luke's	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	26
27	Gadsden, Holy Comforter	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	27
28	Gainsville, St. Alban's	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	28

29	Gallion, St. Andrew's								77 50	342 00		417 50	29			
30	Greensboro, St. Paul's							112 30	618 10	2238 65		2969 05	30			
31	Greenville, St. Thomas'							3 00	76 15	472 00		551 15	31			
32	Hayneville, St. Andrew's								1 00	160 00		161 00	32			
33	Huntsville, Nativity	205 63			177 00		382 63	53 94	753 82	2711 74	382 63	3902 13	33			138 79
34	Jacksonville, St. Luke's							10 61	63 85	301 77		376 23	34			2 43
35	Livingston, St. James'							12 65	76 25	119 50		208 40	35			32 00
36	Lowndesboro, St. Paul's									150 00		150 00	36			
37	Marion, St. Wilfrid's								46 55	323 65		370 20	37			
38	Martin's Station, St. Luke's												38			
39	Mobile, Christ Church	20 44	214 92				235 36	91 32	1843 85	11097 07	235 36	13267 60	39	1700 00		144 54
40	Mobile, Good Shepherd								31 25	1638 21		1669 46	40			191 76
41	Mobile, St. John's							27 55	599 10	4088 72		4715 37	41			147 80
42	Mobile, Trinity							147 94	726 75	5157 15		6031 84	42			484 05
43	Montevallo								31 00	82 42		113 42	43			
44	Montgomery, St. John's							90 00	1439 00	7311 12		8840 12	44			
45	Montgomery, Holy Comf'ter		85 00	35 07			120 07	21 30	272 90	2567 09	120 07	2981 36	45			13 21
46	Mt. Meigs, Grace									1330 85		1330 85	46	278 53		30 40
47	New Decatur, St. John's								5 67	3025 09		3030 76	47			171 90
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49	Oxford									125 00		125 00	49			
50	Piedmont, Christ Church							3 80	25 60	230 68		260 08	50	103 82		99
51	Prattville, St. Mark's								13 00	83 15		96 15	51			
52	Pushmataha, Calvary												52			
53	Selma, St. Paul's							15 30	753 00	4141 48		4909 78	53			18 21
54	Scottsboro, St. Luke's												54			
55	Sheffield, Grace												55			
56	Spring Hill, St. Paul's												56			
57	Talladega, St. Peter's	10 00		50 00		15 00	75 00	4 38	68 30	476 99	75 00	624 67	57			
58	Tilden, Grace							6 45	9 95	68 65		85 05	58			4 65
59	Trinity Station, Grace							3 00				3 00	59			
60	Tuscumbia, St. John's							16 52	139 90	529 41		685 83	60			4 34
61	Tuskaloosa, Christ Church	15 00	600 00		56 25		671 25	73 55	347 45	2715 97	671 25	3835 22	61			1 86
62	Troy, St. Mark's												62			
63	Union Springs, Trinity												63			
64	Uniontown, Holy Cross							6 70	68 40	781 35		856 45	64		66 35	
65	Whistler, St. Paul's							2 00	18 10	387 18		407 28	65			20 83
66	Woodlawn, Calvary								7 12	363 19		370 31	66			18 57
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Number.	Locality and Parishes.	EXPENDED FOR PAROCHIAL OBJECTS.														Number.
		Rector's Salary.	Current Expenses.	Repairs and Improvements.	For the Poor.	For the Sunday School.	Travelling, Etc., Expenses Repaid.	Parochial Missions.	Purchases for Church or Rectory.	Money Value of Gifts.	Passed to Credit of Trust Funds.	Expended for New Buildings, Land, Etc.	Other Parochial Purposes.	Cash on Hand.	Total Parochial.	
1	Anniston, Grace Church	$ 2330 00	$ 806 80	$ 192 51	$ 35 15	$ 53 48	$	$ 67 80	$ 120 16	$ 300 00	$	$	$	$ 421 67	$ 4327 57	1
2	Anniston, St. Michael's	2000 00	2027 00	121 11	147 50	105 79	.....	141 10	75 00	.....	27 56	.....	.....	.....	4645 06	2
3	Athens, St. Timothy	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3
4	Auburn, Holy Innocents	216 50	14 29	7 58	.....	.....	.....	14 28	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	12 78	265 43	4
5	Avondale, Christ Church	30 00	41 55	.....	5 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	19 01	95 56	5
6	Bessemer, Trinity	801 54	64 33	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	80 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	3 12	948 99	6
7	Birmingham, Advent	2000 00	584 61	136 85	66 58	62 76	.....	.....	84 00	.....	.....	7822 84	.....	363 04	11120 68	7
8	Birmingham, St. Mary's	1350 00	1120 86	.....	.....	.....	27 50	.....	2026 29	366 50	.....	24355 07	.....	453 60	29699 82	8
9	Birmingham, St. Mark's	.....	62 50	90 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	152 50	9
10	Brierfield	100 00	10 00	.....	.....	.....	27 42	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	137 42	10
11	Boligee, St. Mark's	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	11
12	Bon Secour, St. Paul's	60 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	67 65	127 65	12
13	Carlowville, St. Paul's	586 67	13 60	26 25	17 95	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	644 47	13
14	Citronelle	85 10	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	663 28	748 38	14
15	Clayton, Grace	.....	10 00	6 00	.....	12 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	6 00	34 00	15
16	Coalburg	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	16
17	Columbia, St. Paul's	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	17
18	Decatur, St. Paul's	180 00	77 75	34 60	.....	21 13	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	278 81	.....	27 70	619 99	18
19	Demopolis, Trinity	600 00	153 90	4 32	20 75	6 75	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1296 00	2081 72	19
20	Eutaw, St. Stephen's	450 00	40 00	.....	6 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	267 60	763 60	20
21	Evergreen, St. Mary's	200 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	200 00	21
22	Eufaula, St. James'	740 47	100 20	16 00	13 60	20 00	.....	.....	70 60	40 00	.....	.....	.....	125 13	1126 00	22
23	Faunsdale, St. Michael's	375 00	35 65	121 80	.....	5 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	80 10	.....	.....	64 50	682 05	23
24	Florence, Trinity	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	24
25	Forkland, St. John's	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	25
26	Ft. Payne, St. Luke's	.....	40 00	60 00	.....	.....	50 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	150 00	26
27	Gadsden, Holy Comforter	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	27
28	Gainsville, St. Alban's	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	28

29	Gallion, St. Andrew's					3000 00					200	3200	29		Vestry.	
30	Greensboro, St. Paul's				8000 00	15000 00						15000	30	1844	Vestry.	1840
31	Greenville, St. Thomas'		2836 00			2000 00		2500			400	4900	31			
32	Hayneville, St. Andrew's					2000 00					500	2500	32			
33	Huntsville, Nativity	1000 00	1500 00		5000 00	33000 00	10000				1700	44700	33		Parish.	1842
34	Jacksonville, St. Luke's	30 00				2500 00				1500	200	4200	34			
35	Livingston, St. James'					1500 00					325	1825	35			
36	Lowndesboro, St. Paul's					2000 00		500			500	3000	36	Dont know	Don't Know.	
37	Marion, St. Wilfrid's	165 75				3000 00		3000			350	6350	37	1837		
38	Martin's St'n, St. Luke's					1200 00						1200	38			
39	Mobile, Christ Church	877 03	535 20	1000 00	26000 00	45000 00		5000	12000	2000	18600	82600	39	1835	Rector, Wardens & Vestry	1825
40	Mobile, Good Shepherd					2500 00		2500	3000	1500	500	10000	40	No.	Diocese.	1883
41	Mobile, St. John's	462 34	1128 00	230 00	6250 00	5000 00	2500	2500			2500	10000	41	1884	Vestry.	1858
42	Mobile, Trinity	789 50	1200 00		9500 00	20000 00				2400	1000	23400	42	Yes.	Vestry.	
43	Montevallo					600 00						600	43			
44	Montgomery, St. John's				18000 00	40000 00	7000	8000			6000	61000	44	Yes.	Vestry.	1835
45	Montgm'y, Holy Comf'ter	1076 27	142 53	15 00	3500 00	2500 00				1500	1200	5200	45	No.	Trustees.	1888
46	Mt. Meigs, Grace				1000 00	1170 00				30	41	1241	46		Diocese.	
47	New Decatur, St. John's	180 35								2500		2500	47		Diocese.	1890
48	Opelika, Emanuel					2250 00				1000		3250	48		Diocese.	
49	Oxford												49			
50	Piedmont, Christ Church	12 54				1200 00				2500	80	3780	50		Bishop & Standing Com.	
51	Prattville, St. Mark's					800 00						800	51			
52	Pushmataha, Calvary												52			
53	Selma, St. Paul's	350 75	500 00		12500 00	30000 00		5000			10500	45500	53	1858	Wardens and Vestry.	1838
54	Scottsboro, St. Luke's												54			
55	Sheffield, Grace					3600 00					300	3900	55	1887	Trustees.	1887
56	Spring Hill, St. Paul's					3000 00						3000	56			
57	Talladega, St. Peter's		66 15		1100 00	3000 00					350	3350	57			
58	Tilden, Grace					800 00				200		1000	58			1853
59	Trinity Station, Grace					600 00					50	650	59	No.	Diocese.	
60	Tuscumbia, St. John's	16 26	223 18			2500 00					175	2675	60	No.	Diocese.	
61	Tuskaloosa, Christ Church	106 96	37 50		6250 00	7000 00		4000			2000	13000	61	No.	Diocese.	1829
62	Troy, St. Mark's												62			
63	Union Springs, Trinity					1000 00						1000	63			
64	Uniontown, Holy Cross	140 00				2000 00		2000			300	4300	64	Dont know	Trustees.	1844
65	Whistler, St. Paul's					1500 00						1500	65			
66	Woodlawn, Calvary	7 85			500 00	1000 00		425				1425	66		Diocese.	1891
67	Bridgeport												67			
68	Madison Station												68			
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